

## Final BULLETINS

### 4 B29 Groups Blast Nagoya

GUAM (Via Navy Radio)—A sizeable force of B-29s bombed industrial targets at Nagoya, on Japan's homeland island of Honshu, Monday afternoon at an altitude lower than previous attacks and met the strongest enemy air resistance so far encountered there, it was announced today.

One Superfort was hit by gunfire and was seen to crash in flames into the sea probably about 20 miles off shore.

The foray was made by four formations of B-29s. Two kept the city under attack from 3.35 p.m. until 3.47 p.m. (Japan time). The remaining two formations hit the city almost an hour later.

### Ask Commission To Rule Poland

LONDON (AP)—Socialist Premier Arciszewski's London Polish government suggested tonight that an Interallied Commission take over temporary administration of Polish territory, pending a free election.

The suggestion was made in a memorandum sent to the British and U.S. governments. Poles here expressed hope the memorandum would be considered by the "Big Three" in discussing Russian-Polish problems.

### U.S. May Seize Jap Mandates

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. House of Representatives naval committee today created a seven-member subcommittee to study possible permanent U.S. possession of Japanese-mandated islands in the Pacific.

### More Nazi Divisions

ROME (AP)—Field Marshal Albert Kesselring's Army of Italy was reported today to have risen to 28 divisions, its greatest strength since last spring.

Patrols of the British 8th and Allied 5th Armies were active along the entire front in bitterly cold weather, probing enemy positions.

### 100 More Draftees Adrift in Sask.

REGINA (CP)—An estimated 700 draftees now are absent without leave in Saskatchewan, an increase of 100 over last week, it was learned today.

The total was increased when without leave was increased when it was learned that some 300 due to report in Regina Monday night after leave only about 40 per cent came to this city voluntarily.

### 4 Nazis Recaptured

FORT WILLIAM (CP)—Four German war prisoners, Hans Franklin, Karl Jaeger, Otto Radtke and Heinz Kutzinski, who escaped Sunday from a paper camp at Savanne, Ont., 75 miles west of here, were recaptured Monday, Ontario Provincial Police announced this afternoon.

### Okinawa Bombed

PEARL HARBOR (AP)—Carrier aircraft of the U.S. 3rd Fleet swept Okinawa in the Ryukyus "in strong force" Sunday, one day after bagging at least 140 Japanese planes on their fifth blow of the month at Formosa, pivotal enemy base south of Okinawa, it was announced today.

### 9 Absentees Held

WINNIPEG (CP)—Military police here apprehended nine absentee Home Defence soldiers and legal officers are examining evidence in several cases of harboring absentees and deserters by civilians with a view to pressing charges. Military District No. 10 Headquarters announced today. One man surrendered himself.

### Vancouver Teachers Get Salary Offer

VANCOUVER (CP)—Request of 1,100 Vancouver teachers for \$150,000 in wage increases covering the remainder of this year has been turned down by the Vancouver school board. However, the board repeated its original offer to include an additional \$100,000 in its budget to boost the teachers' salaries this year, a member of the School Board said. He explained that if the teachers accepted \$100,000 for the balance of this year it would mean \$200,000 for them next year as the school year is already half over.

# Nazis Reel Back From Broken Salient

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# Russ Isolating All East Prussia

## German Retreat On West Front Becoming Rout

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

PARIS (AP)—The U.S. 1st Army fought house-to-house today in St. Vith, delivering the knockout to the Ardennes salient, while the disorganized and broken remnants of three routed German armies recoiled back eastward under the most savage air onslaught of the war.

St. Vith was entered at dawn and its fall was imminent. Soon after sunrise, Allied planes started their second straight day of relentless attack on the foe.

By midday the U.S. 9th Air Force had destroyed 302 trucks, four tanks and armored vehicles and damaged 119 other tanks. That raised the two-day aerial toll on the fleeing Germans to 4,583 pieces of heavy equipment, enough for an entire Panzer army. The slaughter surpassed the destruction in the Falaise gap last August when Canadian and U.S. troops trapped and broke a German army.

The British 2nd Army to the north moved to within less than two miles of the Roer and the road junction of Heinsberg, capturing nine towns within 32 miles of Dueseldorf.

U.S. 3rd Army troops closed swiftly against the ramparts of the Siegfried Line opposite the Our River bounding Germany and Luxembourg. In all, 21 or more towns fell to the British, U.S. and French troops—the latter moving up through deep snow into the Colmar pocket south of Strasbourg.

### 7th Army Sector Still Tender Spot

The U.S. 7th Army sector from Bitche to north of Strasbourg remained the one tender spot in the Allied front.

German broadcasts claimed most of the Haguenau Forest had been overrun and that the 7th Army front "had collapsed."

A U.S. 1st Army staff officer estimated the Germans had suffered at least 150,000 casualties and lost from 800 to 900 tanks since their offensive started in mid-December. Prisoners alone passed the 50,000 mark today.

As the U.S. troops entered St. Vith just a month and two days after Field Marshal von Rundstedt had captured the place along with thousands of U.S. prisoners, British 2nd Army troops in the sector north of Aachen moved to within two miles of Heinsberg, most important German road centre west of the Roer. Heinsberg is 1½ miles south of the enemy stronghold of Roermond, confluence of the Roer and Maas Rivers.

St. Vith, the hub of seven highways and two railroads and the Germans were fighting desperately to hold it, their last stronghold of any consequence in the last five to six-mile strip of the bulge.

### Allies Attack All Along Line

The whole perimeter of the Ardennes salient was under attack and the Germans rushed up tank elements in an effort to hold back the attackers while pulling out the last of their infantry and supply columns.

Allied airmen Monday said they destroyed or disabled 4,158 pieces of heavy German equipment in a 50-mile stretch from the Luxembourg border to Euskirchen in Germany.

Aground, the U.S. 3rd Army captured Wiltz, just east of the Luxembourg-Belgian border, and closed hard upon the Our River, German-Luxembourg boundary stream flowing past the western ramparts of the Siegfried Line. Vianden at the border was a mile away. The advance ranged to five miles, or more.

The British 2nd Army, which has flattened the enemy salient 33 miles southwest of Dueseldorf, was reported engaged in heavy fighting in the St. Joost area northeast of Eicht, which is about 1½ miles southwest of Roermond. The Germans in the St. Joost area have thrown in reinforcements against British forces, today's Allied communiqué said. Southeast of Eicht, counterattacks against Waldefeucht were repulsed.

Farther north in the 1st Canadian Army sector, the Germans have been driven across the de Linde Canal north of Zettin, eight miles northwest of Nijmegen. British infantry of the 1st Canadian Army, with Canadian tank support, have been in action against the enemy there since last week.

The Allied communiqué said little of the Strasbourg-Haguenau-Bitche sector, where the U.S. 7th Army was under heavy and increasing attack, though on a lighter scale than that which preceded the Ardennes break-through.

### British Closing In On Burma Capital

KANDY, Ceylon (CP)—British forces closing in on Mandalay have driven to within 25 miles of the city on the west and 40 miles on the north, a communiqué announced today.

In the area across the Irrawaddy elbow the British forces continued to compress the enemy, driving into the western end of the pocket, where they reached the north bank of the river in the vicinity of Myittha, about 25 miles west of Mandalay and 15 miles south of captured Monywa.

Meanwhile, despite heavy counterattacks by the Japanese on bridgeheads east of the Irrawaddy and about 40 miles north of Mandalay, the British enlarged their footholds and moved in more troops and equipment.

## U.S. Troops in Luzon Drive Across Mountainous Country



In its drive southward toward Manila Gen. MacArthur's army has crossed much terrain like that pictured above. This picture shows the mountain resort of Baguio, thought to have been used as a centre by Japanese leaders in the Philippines. It has been bombed by U.S. fliers.

## N. Grey Candidates In Contest Till End They Tell Premier

OTTAWA (CP)—Prospect that another session of the present Parliament might not be held because of the nature of the by-election campaign in North Grey was raised today by Prime Minister King in a 3,000-word message to the voters of that constituency where Defence Minister McNaughton is seeking a seat in the House of Commons. (See Story Page 2.)

Nomination Day in North Grey will be Jan. 29, with voting set for Feb. 5. Should Parliament be dissolved before Feb. 5, election day, and a general election called, the by-election would be eliminated.

### Neither Godfrey Nor Case Quitting

OWEN SOUND, Ont. (CP)—Garfield Case, Progressive Conservative candidate in the Feb. 5 North Grey by-election, said today he has no intention of withdrawing from the contest.

Mr. Case said he could assure Prime Minister King "that I will file my nomination papers next Monday and that we will go forward with our campaign in the hope that through victory I may carry to Parliament a message from the people."

"I want to make it known to Mr. King that he is out of touch with public opinion," said Mr. Case, who was commenting on the statement issued by Mr. King today at Ottawa.

The Progressive Conservative candidate, said Mr. Case, was seeking to avoid the responsibility of responsible government and "he says in effect to the electors of North Grey that we are seeking to sabotage the war effort."

Air Vice-Marshal A. Earl Godfrey, C.C.F. candidate, also said today he was "definitely not withdrawing" from the contest.

Like Mr. Case, he commented on Prime Minister King's charge that the Progressive Conservatives and the C.C.F. were creating conditions which would make another session of Parliament impractical.

The C.C.F. candidate said the members of his party's executive had foreseen the possibility that Mr. King might threaten to dissolve Parliament and call off the by-election if he felt there was no chance for Defence Minister

### Clark Airfield Within Grasp Of Yanks On Luzon

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC ADVANCE COMMAND (CP)—With Manila just 34 airline miles away and Clark Field only 11 miles distant at last reports, U.S. troops fought onward over central Luzon today.

Even if the invaders matched the speed of the advance covered in reports for 24 hours extending into Monday, by now they could have penetrated Pangasinan Province and posed an immediate threat to Clark Field, a big air-drome.

### 6 Victoria Men Due Here On Leave

Six Victoria men are included among several Canadian army personnel who will arrive on the coast Jan. 27 from service overseas. Pacific Command officials announced today. They are: Pte. C. A. Bland; Rfn. D. Kirkpatrick; Crockett; Pte. L. H. Lotz; Rfn. R. P. Mansell; Gnr. L. D. Murray; Pte. F. W. Olds. Others in the group include: Lieut. R. J. Cosier, Saanich; and Pte. A. H. S. McMonnies, Courtenay.

## J. Dolphin, 79, Second Victim Of Fatal Crash

Second victim of Greater Victoria's first fatal traffic accident of 1945, James Dolphin, 79, of 2664 Cedar Hill Road, whose wife was fatally injured in the same crash, died at 8 this morning at Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Mr. Dolphin's car and a car driven by Raymond B. Willox, R.C.A.F. Patricia Bay, were in collision Saturday morning at Haultain Street and Cedar Hill Road. The flier escaped injury but Mr. Dolphin suffered a fractured neck and deep head cuts. Since being admitted to the hospital his condition had been critical.

Mrs. Sarah Dolphin, 73, died at 6 Monday morning.

An inquest into the death of Mrs. Dolphin has been ordered by Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, for 10 tomorrow morning at McCall Bros. Funeral Home.

A retired C.N.R. car inspector, Mr. Dolphin came to Victoria in 1926 from Prince Albert, Sask. He leaves three sons, Thomas and Harold at Chilliwack; four daughters, Mrs. W. Dewhurst, Everett, Wash.; and Mrs. R. Winters, Mrs. B. Kamann and Mrs. J. Dempster; and 14 grandchildren.



COLLABORATIONIST TRIAL ON LEYTE—Bernardo Torres, left, in white suit, governor of Leyte Island in the Philippines from 1939 to 1942, pleads his own case during hearing on charges that he collaborated with the Japs. At right is Gen. Basilio Valdes of the Philippine army.

## Army 137 Miles From Berlin As Poznan Entered

LONDON (CP)—Russian forces have thrust within 22 miles of completing a gigantic cut-off of all East Prussia and the trapping of perhaps 30 German divisions, Premier Stalin disclosed tonight in a broadcast order of the day.

Reports from Berlin meanwhile said Russian troops had burst into Poznan, 137 miles from Berlin on the direct route, and Premier Stalin announced the capture of Bydgoszcz, southern guardian of Polish corridor. Stalin in a 4th order of the day also confirmed earlier reports the Russians had reached the Oder River.

Bitting halfway across the western end of East Prussia, the 2nd White Russian army seized Saalfeld, only 22 miles south of Elbing, Baltic coastal town and last land escape gap for Germans in East Prussia, Marshal Stalin announced. Soviet troops there were but 50 miles southeast of Danzig.

Marshal Gregory Zhukov's 1st White Russian Army, rampaging through Poland, captured Bydgoszcz at the entrance to the Polish corridor farther southwest, cutting a main supply line from Berlin to East Prussia.

The 2nd White Russian Army jumped forward 15 miles in one day to Saalfeld, northwest of Osterode. It also seized Mohrungen, 14 miles east of Saalfeld and 57 south of Koenigsberg, and Freystadt, 22 miles southwest of Saalfeld. Farther east, Marshal Ivan Rokossovsky's widening assault front into East Prussia took Ortelburg and Wittenberg, 18 and seven miles inside the southern border.

### Berlin Railway Cut As Bydgoszcz Taken

Stalin's first order of the day proclaimed capture of Bydgoszcz, a big rail-highway hub at the beginning of the Polish Corridor 87 miles south of Danzig. It is 65 miles northeast of Poznan, but its fall, a main Berlin-East Prussia railway was cut.

A drive to the Baltic near Elbing or up the Corridor to Danzig might envelop 30 German divisions—up to 300,000 men or more—in East Prussia.

Street fighting in Poznan, last bastion city short of the German frontier, was reported in a Stockholm dispatch from Berlin.

Soviet troops to the south in Silesia were driving toward Breslau and Oppeln, and might have "temporarily" reached the Oder River, the Germans admitted.

Berlin radio said Hitler had sent Heinrich Himmler to the badly-chopped eastern front with blanket powers "to make drastic decisions and to guarantee their execution."

A Swiss dispatch said German commanders from all fronts had met at German supreme head-

quarters Saturday to plot steps to halt the Russians' steamroller drives and that far-reaching decisions had been made concerning employment of reserves from other fronts.

Already, said a dispatch from the western front, German divisions have been shifted from that front to meet the Russians in the east.

### E. Prussian Capital Faces Encirclement

Some of the Soviet forces driving to seal off East Prussia were reported within 27 miles of the port of Elbing, in the northwest corner of the Junkers province on the Bay of Danzig. The capital, Koenigsberg, was menaced with encirclement.

In German Silesia, the Nazi attacking heavily on a line within 15 miles of Breslau, but claimed these blows were checked. Breslau lies on the Oder River.

Berlin placed the Soviet attacks between Oels, 15 miles northeast of Breslau, and Namslau, 23 miles due east.

Co-ordinated Red Army offensives rapidly were carving up East Prussia, Zhukov's army had cut half way across the base of the Polish corridor.

Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky's double-pronged drive into East Prussia from the south was hammering toward Elbing, only 33 miles southeast of Danzig, and had closed off a main German rail escape route.

Hitting in from the east, Marshal Ivan Cherniakhovsky's spearheads were within 25 miles of Koenigsberg.

"Soviet troops now are 150 miles from Berlin," the Moscow radio declared earlier today in a warning broadcast to the German people.

A Russian communiqué Monday night placed troops of Marshal Zhukov's 1st White Russian Army 165 miles due east of Berlin with capture of Gneznio, 28 miles northeast of Poznan, but an Associated Press dispatch this morning from Moscow said the distance to Berlin had been cut to less than 160.

### Marching On Berlin Pravda Declares

Abandoning its customary caution, the Communist organ Pravda declared flatly that "the Russian army is marching on Berlin," this dispatch added.

Another report from the Russian capital said it was believed there Russian spearheads in Silesia had reached the east bank of the Oder River in at least one sector between Breslau and Oppeln.

There still was no indication that the Germans had been able to rally their forces for a stand at any point on the swiftly-moving eastern front. The Moscow radio asserted that "the decisive hour is here."

To the south beyond the German border the 1st Ukrainian Army, commanded by Marshal Ivan S. Konev, had clamped a pincers on Oppeln, capital of southern Silesia, and by Monday night had advanced to within 30 miles of Breslau, the Reich's ninth city and capital of northern Silesia.

Already 30 miles inside the Reich on a 50-mile front, Konev's troops were then only six to 10 miles from the Oder River, where it was expected the Germans might make a stand, or at least delay the Russian juggernaut.

Nazi losses mounted steadily all along the front. Moscow announced that the Konev Army alone had killed or captured 81,000 Germans in 10 days, and destroyed or captured 734 tanks. The casualties inflicted by the four other Russian armies driving through East Prussia, Poland and Czechoslovakia still are to be made known.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

At Prince Robert House, all members of the services, their friends and our Hostesses, are cordially invited to attend a presentation by the Little Theatre, at Prince Robert House, of "The Gay Nineties." On Thursday, Jan. 25, at 8.15.

Runaway Sale in aid of Junior Auxiliary to B.C. Protestant Orphanage, Wednesday, Jan. 24, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Meston Building, 1400 Block, on Broad Street.

Victoria Vegetarian Society meets Thursday, Jan. 25, at 8 p.m., 635 Fort Street. Speakers, Mrs. L. D. Chesman, Mrs. I. M. Vallance and A. J. A. Bell, on the "Ethical Aspects of Vegetarianism."

# N. Grey to Decide If Another Session To Be Held

## Chinese to Get Horse Meat From Saskatchewan

REGINA (CP) — Idle horses grown fat on Saskatchewan pastures may help restore the gaunt faces of China.

Reconstruction Minister Sturdy said today inquiries had been received from Chinese representatives on the purchase of horse meat to be produced by a Swift Current, Sask., plant to be placed in operation by a co-operative within a few months.

Mr. Sturdy said the provincial government, acting for the co-operative, already had negotiated a contract under which 7,500 tons of horse meat will go to Belgium for human consumption. The meat will be produced under constant inspection and will be shipped frozen or pickled.

Belgium in the past has bought large quantities of horse meat in the United Kingdom, but the development of mechanized farming has closed this source of supply for the recently liberated country. Mr. Sturdy said negotiations had been conducted through Belgian representatives in Canada.

Chinese representatives have told the provincial government, which is assisting establishment

of the plant, that the Chinese need a cheap, nutritious meat supply and horse meat may provide the solution.

Only the best surplus horses will be used to provide meat for human consumption. Large quantities of the lower grade meat will be sold to fur ranches and for kennel food, while by-products such as hides, bones and hair will be marketed in the United States and other countries.

The plant being established at Swift Current and another at Edmonton are expected to process 50,000 surplus horses a year.

## Ford Manufacturing Robot Jet Engines

DETROIT (AP) — The Ford Motor Company is turning out jet propulsion engines for robot bombs in mass production, it was disclosed Monday.

The engines start at one end of the line as tubes and end with an impulse jet engine installed and automatically controlled carburetor tested and fitted. They are shipped to another point to be mounted atop a streamlined fuselage.

The fuselage contains a warhead or explosive charge, fuel, automatic control equipment and two spherical compressed air tanks to run control units. The bomb over-all measures about 17 feet in span and 27 feet in length.

## Soldier, Young Woman Sentenced to Death

LONDON (CP) — Pte. Karl Gustav Hulten, 22-year-old U.S. paratrooper, and Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, 18-year-old striptease dancer and his one-time girl friend, were convicted today of the murder of George Heath, a London taxi driver. Both were sentenced to be hanged.

The jury returned the verdict after deliberating for about an hour and 15 minutes. A recommendation of mercy for the woman was contained in the jury's verdict.

## Nazi General's Body Found On Battlefield

LONDON (AP) — The body of Lt. Gen. von Block, commander of the 38th German Tank Division, was found on a Silesian battlefield along with those of 4,000 other Germans after an encircled enemy group had been liquidated in Monday's fighting, Moscow announced early today.

A total of 8,800 Germans killed or captured was given in the supplement to the nightly Soviet communiqué, but German losses in many eastern front battles were not yet included.

## Bert Riley Named C.P.A. Agent Here



W. V. "Bert" Riley has been appointed Victoria traffic representative for Canadian Pacific Air Lines Ltd. He succeeds Jack Robbins who has joined the Canadian Navy as a supply officer.

Mr. Riley has been with Canadian Pacific Air Lines for two years, having been stationed for some years on the prairies.

He was previously in northern Manitoba for eight years being stationed at Gunnar Gold Mines (Beresford Lake) latterly as agent, and was for six months at Edmonton as agency accountant.

A party for Mr. Robbins was held on the occasion of his departure, when a plane load of C.P.A. officials came over from Vancouver to give him a send-off. Those who came over were: E. R. R. Field, superintendent, B.C. district; Dr. Harris, C.P.A. doctor; A. M. Craig, dispatcher; Miss Pat Wheeler, secretary to Mr. Field; Miss Muriel Barron, stenographer and Miss Muriel Cowling, reservation clerk.

The informal party was held in the office of the air terminal on Stewart Avenue, when Mr. Robbins was presented with a handsome traveling case, while his bride of a few weeks received an orchid.

Mr. Riley received from his Vancouver conferees a leather wallet.

Miss Barbara Kemp and Miss Beatrice Allison are assistants at the C.P.A. city office.

## Wider Measures For Health Urged

DUNCAN (CP) — Declaring health measures in Canada are inadequate, delegates of International Woodworkers of America, Local 180 (C.I.O.) at their annual meeting here passed a resolution calling on the federal government "to set up curative institutions where charges would be based on ability to pay."

Eight delegates representing 2,500 loggers and mill workers attended the meetings.

They suggested that cash payments be made to persons suffering illness.

Members reiterated their "no strike pledge" and reaffirmed the union's nonpartisan political policy.

Andrew Whisker, safety adviser, provincial Department of Labor, said that in the past year one-third of the loggers in B.C. had suffered injuries sufficient for each to require 51 days' compensation.

He added that in spite of the heavy toll, the accident rate had been reduced to such an extent that the government might consider reducing the employers' contribution funds from 11 to 8 per cent.

## Soldier, 18, Fined \$100 For Drink of Beer

REGINA (CP) — Comrades of Pte. Gordon Denke, 18, Regina, say they are raising enough money to pay his fine of \$100 ordered in Royal Canadian Mounted Police court last week after he had been found guilty of entering a beer parlor as a minor. Already they have collected \$50 in nickels and dimes and a Regina lawyer, who would not give his name, has offered to appeal the sentence without charge.

Pte. Denke had accompanied other soldiers into a beer parlor at Ceylon, Sask., and the charge was laid a short time later.

The lawyer who said he was prepared to appeal the case said that "If a man is old enough to fight for his country he is old enough to have a drink of beer."

## Gas Kills 3 Children

TORONTO (CP) — Three children died today of asphyxiation in their home here and another child and the mother of the family are in hospital in serious condition. Officials said death was due to illuminating gas escaping from an uncapped pipe in the home.

## Premier Appeals for Support Of Defence Minister McNaughton

OTTAWA (CP) — In a message to North Grey electors today, Prime Minister King accused the Progressive Conservative and C.C.F. parties of "creating and fostering the very circumstances which will make a general election inevitable at what may well prove to be the most critical of all stages of the war."

The attitude of the opposition parties, he said, had given national significance to the by-election in which Defence Minister McNaughton is seeking a seat in the House of Commons.

"To these issues, in their national and international bearing, the government is giving most careful thought," he said. "In considering your own attitude, I again appeal to you, irrespective of party affiliations, to put partisan considerations aside. In determining your attitude, I appeal to you to exert your influence above all in the light of what Canada owes to her fighting men."

The statement contained a definite hint that another session of the present parliament might not be held. (The adjourned session is to be prorogued Jan. 31, but the date of the start of a new session, if one is held, has not been set.)

"Until the day of official nomination we shall not know definitely whether the Progressive Conservatives and the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation are determined to persist in their present attitudes," he wrote.

"If they are it will obviously be the duty of the government to consider whether any useful purpose could be served by attempting to hold another session of the present Parliament."

CRITICIZES BRACKEN

Criticizing the two opposition parties, Mr. King said that for more than two years the Progressive Conservative leader (John Bracken) had not attempted to obtain a seat in Parliament. Now he and his party tried to make it impossible for the Defence Minister to have a seat in time of war.

"Were it possible to carry such a course of procedure to its logical conclusion it would mean the successful sabotage of the institution of Parliament itself," he added.

He recalled that the House by a majority of more than 2 to 1 in December voted "to aid the government in maintaining a vigorous war effort." Since then the C.C.F. leader (M. J. Coldwell) had taken credit for his party in promising this aid to the government. Now they had joined the Progressive Conservatives in trying to keep Gen. McNaughton out of Parliament.

WATCH FOR WAR'S END

Mr. King said the reason another session of Parliament was desirable was to delay the election, if possible, until after the end of the war in Europe and to pass necessary war legislation.

The presence of Gen. McNaughton in the House was necessary for that and the sole reason for the by-election was to make his presence possible.

The controversy of a general election, at home and among the forces, could not be helpful to the war effort while the war was in progress and the government had consistently sought to avoid controversy. Had it sought political advantage it could have called the election at the time most favorable. The constitutional limitation of Parliament's term, however, made an election inevitable in 1945.

QUESTION OF CONFIDENCE

Two other possibilities, said Mr. King, had been constantly stressed as developments which might make an election necessary.

They were:

1. The undermining of the confidence of the country in the government "by unwarranted and unworthy activities on the part of political opponents while the administration itself was giving its undivided attention and devoting its whole energies to the prosecution of the war effort."

2. The kind and degree of obstruction with which the government might come to be faced in Parliament from members of those parties and groups which compose the opposition.

"Both of these possibilities I have mentioned would seem to be contained in the situation as it is developing in the North Grey by-election," he wrote.

Partial text of Mr. King's message follows:

... It would obviously be unwise to fix the date for the opening of the new session (of Parliament) until it is certain that the Minister of National Defence will have a seat in the House of Commons. If as the government had every right to expect, the by-election had not been contested, Gen. McNaughton's presence in

the House of Commons would have been assured. A new session would have opened immediately after the prorogation of the present session.

Parliament will meet on Jan. 31 to bring to a close the session which began a year ago. A new session will not begin immediately.

Before deciding when a new session is to open, or indeed, whether it may be advisable to attempt to hold another session of the present Parliament, the government feels it is necessary to give careful thought to the situation which is developing as a result of the by-election campaign.

Controversy, on a nation-wide scale at home, and in every unit among the forces overseas, will be inseparable from a general election. Therefore, we have felt we should make every effort to postpone the holding of a general election, so long as there was a possibility of the war ending, or of the decisive battles being fought, before the expiration of the Parliamentary term.

## 5-Year Elections Right of People

It has been asked, why if the government desires to avoid an election till the war is over, does the government itself not take action to extend the life of Parliament? I have always felt that the right of the people to elect their representatives in Parliament at least every five years, which right is secured to them by the constitution, should not be taken from them without their consent.

No one can deny that in the present contest every effort is being made by the Progressive Conservatives and by the C.C.F. to undermine the position of the government in the confidence of the country. The only purpose of the government in opening the seat was to ensure the presence of the Minister of National Defence in the House of Commons during a brief session of Parliament to be held before a general election.

That being the case, it can scarcely be denied that the activities of the government's opponents, in the by-election campaign, in arousing prejudices and passions and in stirring up party political controversy on all kinds of questions are both "unwarranted and unworthy."

The present contest is certainly making it increasingly difficult for the administration, and in particular, for the Minister of National Defence to give undivided attention to the prosecution of our country's war effort.

The kind and degree of opposition which the government is meeting in the present by-election in North Grey could not fail to have a wholly detrimental effect upon the proceedings of a session of Parliament to be held immediately following the conclusion of the contest. Bitter feelings and animosities engendered by this political strife would certainly be reflected in discussion in the House of Commons, thereby making co-operation in the work of the session increasingly difficult.

Is it conceivable that the political leaders who, at a most critical period of the war, have striven in a by-election campaign to keep the Minister of National Defence out of Parliament, will suddenly change and have their parties in Parliament co-operate with the government in the speedy enactment of its war policies?

## Obstruction Will Continue in House

Obstruction began outside Parliament, on the eve of a new session, is not likely to become any the less determined and aggressive in the House of Commons. It is now becoming apparent that, once the Minister of National Defence had been returned, members of opposition parties in the House of Commons would follow the same tactics.

All this gives to the by-election in Grey North a significance much greater and much graver than it was ever intended to have. It has raised the question whether, by their attitude in the present campaign, the Progressive Conservative Party and the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation are not creating and fostering the very circumstances which will make a general election inevitable at what may well prove to be the most critical of all stages of the war.

Until the day of official nomination, we shall not know definitely whether the Progressive Conservatives and the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation are determined to persist in their present attitudes. If they are, it will obviously be the duty of the government to consider whether any useful purpose could be served by attempting to hold an

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It cannot be denied that the prosecution of the war would be furthered by the presence of the Minister of National Defence in Parliament. Yet the leader of the C.C.F. and members supporting the C.C.F. candidate in the by-election have joined with the Progressive Conservatives in seeking to make impossible the presence of the Minister of National Defence in the House of Commons. Could there be a more glaring example of cynical disregard of its recorded pledge by a political party? What is to become of our political institutions if the public is given cause to lose faith in the professions of public men, and in the solemn pledges of political parties?

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## 16 Who Risked Lives In Blast At Ordnance Plant Decorated

LONDON (CP) — Red-hot bombs exploding and others burning . . . flames 2,000 feet high . . . tumbling walls . . . fearful dangers that another 1,000 tons of high explosive might blow at any second . . . It happened at a royal ordnance factory at Hereford, in the west of England, just a week before D-Day last June. Details now have been released, with announcement that 16 men who ignored death to save their work-mates have been decorated. Because of their bravery, only two employees' lives were lost.

The 16 worked through three major explosions that threw them about like ninetails, demolished the filling house and flung white-hot girders and debris over a wide area. The blasts were caused by a fire which started in a large, filled bomb, and spread to other bombs, and in an incorporator filled with explosive.

## Wallgren Opposes Return of Japs

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — Governor Wallgren of Washington has announced his determined opposition to the return of "any Japs" to the west coast during wartime.

## Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press War Analyst  
Harassed Nazi official spokesmen, viewing in fear the great Allied vise which has been set in motion by the Russian offensive, are calling this the decisive battle of the war, which is to say the final round—undoubtedly a correct estimate of an altogether grim situation.

A couple of times in previous columns, looking ahead to this bloody climax of our world upheaval, I've referred to it as Armageddon. The term wasn't used haphazardly, though I left interpretation to the reader.

## Enlistments Up Since November

OTTAWA (CP) — Enlistments for general service totaled 17,637, including 6,044 from the ranks of the Home Defence Army, in the 12 weeks since the overseas reinforcement controversy developed last November, it was shown in weekly enlistment figures made public Monday night by Defence Headquarters.

The 12-week total, covering the period from last Nov. 4 to Jan. 20, included 10,498 enlistments from the public and 1,065 from the Reserve Army in addition to the 6,044 draftee conversions.

The statement, accompanied by a table breaking down the totals for the period, was the first headquarters report of enlistments since Dec. 8, when the department made public the figures up to Dec. 2. It was not expected that weekly reports would be resumed, but rather that they would be announced periodically.

## Difficult Time When Milk Subsidy Ends, Says Leader

CALGARY (CP) — Warning that a difficult situation would arise when Dominion government subsidies on milk and its products were dropped was voiced here today by W. Frank Jones, president of the National Dairy Council of Canada, at opening sessions of its three-day annual convention.

## Airmen Recalled To Army To Refund Clothing Payment

OTTAWA (CP) — All of the \$100 clothing allowance and a pro-rated portion of the mustering-out pay that goes to discharged servicemen must be returned by airmen coming out of the R.C.A.F. after Jan. 15 and later recalled by the army.

Selective Service announced Jan. 13 that all ground crew and administrative staff personnel discharged after Jan. 15, and who were in the appropriate age group, were subject to recall by the army.

## MacMillan Aids U.B.C. Forestry; Packers Assist Fisheries

VANCOUVER — H. R. MacMillan is contributing \$22,500 to the University of B.C. in order that the work done there in forestry may be strengthened and expanded, it was announced today.

"Mr. MacMillan is particularly interested in work in silviculture and forest management for he feels that it is of the utmost importance that we in British Columbia should have the best and most recent information available in respect of maintaining and, where possible, increasing a sustained yield from our forest on a permanent basis," the statement from the board of governors of U.B.C. said.

"Mr. MacMillan has also agreed to establish a revolving loan fund of \$2,500 to be used to assist students in forestry who may require additional money in order to enable them to complete their university training. This fund will be administered by a university committee on scholarships and bursaries in consultation with the members of the Department of Forestry and the Dean of Applied Science."

It was also announced that the board of B.C. Packers Ltd. had made a contribution of \$22,500 to enable the University of B.C. to appoint a professor of fisheries.

"It is hoped that this will enable the university to strengthen and expand the work being done in respect of fisheries," said the announcement.

"The directors of B.C. Packers are particularly interested in problems relating to the conservation of the fisheries and the ensuring of a continuing supply of commercial fish and feel that we in British Columbia should have the best information and advice possible in respect of the protection of the spawning grounds and other similar matters."

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## Enlistments Up Since November

Week Ending	Public	Reserve	N.R.M.A.	Totals
Nov. 4	237	109	131	477
Nov. 11	297	112	113	522
Nov. 18	308	106	100	514
Nov. 25	281	113	866	1,260
Dec. 2	869	87	1,310	2,266
Dec. 9	929	89	840	1,858
Dec. 16	819	87	710	1,616
Dec. 23	234	35	489	758
Dec. 30	179	19	261	459
Jan. 6	701	75	167	943
Jan. 13	1,587	188	310	2,085
Jan. 20	1,498	162	447	2,107
Totals	10,498	1,065	6,044	17,637

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In an address Mr. Jones said wartime prices for dairy products in Canada are "purely artificial." He doubted if 1 per cent of consumers were aware the government had been paying a "very substantial" share of their household bill for dairy products.

By March of this year, he said, \$150,000,000 will have been paid out of government funds by way of subsidies on milk. He estimated that for the average family of four this meant \$36 a year towards the food budget. Without this subsidy housewives in 1944 would have had to pay between three and four cents more a quart for milk, and between eight and nine cents more a pound for butter.

Consumers were "totally unprepared" for any change in prices should the subsidies be dropped, as the majority were unaware of their existence. Nothing had been done to acquaint consumers with the facts, and the adjustment, when it comes, would be "most painful."

Neither farmers nor dairymen were to blame—it was a wartime condition, subsidies having been chosen as the best means of keeping down the cost of living.

## British Legation Blast

STOCKHOLM (AP) — A bomb exploded near the British legation here Monday, blowing in the front windows of the building located on Stockholm's fashionable Strandvägen, but otherwise causing little damage.

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125	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.25
150	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
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225	20.25	20.25	20.25	20.25	20.25
250	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50
275	24.75	24.75	24.75	24.75	24.75
300	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
325	29.25	29.25	29.25	29.25	29.25
350	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50
375	33.75	33.75	33.75	33.75	33.75
400	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.00
425	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25	38.25
450	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
475	42.75	42.75	42.75	42.75	42.75
500	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00
525	47.25	47.25	47.25	47.25	47.25
550	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
575	51.75	51.75	51.75	51.75	51.75
600	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00
625	56.25	56.25	56.25	56.25	56.25
650	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50	58.50
675	60.75	60.75	60.75	60.75	60.75
700	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00
725	65.25	65.25	65.25	65.25	65.25
750	67.50	67.50	67.50	67.50	67.50
775	69.75	69.75	69.75	69.75	69.75
800	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00
825	74.25	74.25	74.25	74.25	74.25
850	76.50	76.50	76.50	76.50	76.50
875	78.75	78.75	78.75	78.75	78.75
900	81.00	81.00	81.00	81.00	81.00
925	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.25
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By The Canadian Press  
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#### PERIPATETIC MR. BRACKEN

AFTER SPENDING SUNDAY IN ROME, where he was the guest of Canadian officers, Mr. John Bracken, peripatetic leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada, is due on the Adriatic front to meet the Dominion's fighting men there. This part of the dispatch chronicling the ex-Manitoba Premier's movements, however, is interesting:

"Mr. Bracken said he had been discussing rehabilitation and postwar reconstruction problems with British leaders likely to be concerned with them after the war, anticipating the day 'when good government comes to Canada and the liaison thus established would be useful.' Mr. Bracken's trip has taken him to the Canadian front in The Netherlands, to Paris and Brussels and to Great Britain."

Nobody will begrudge Mr. Bracken's hope and belief that one day he will be Prime Minister of Canada. He did very well as Premier of Manitoba for two decades; but when he permitted himself to be "persuaded" to preside over the destinies of a moribund party with an outmoded philosophy he considerably widened the gulf between his fantastic role and the Prime Minister's office on Parliament Hill.

Nearly 26 months have elapsed since Mr. Bracken assumed his present post; he still has no seat in the House of Commons; and he had probably become so surfeited with two years traveling about his native land, trying to get to know what the people were thinking, that he could stand it no longer. So he betook himself to Europe to survey the broader scene of war, international relations, rehabilitation and postwar reconstruction problems.

It has been a little difficult to keep track of Mr. Bracken's movements in recent days; but we noted in the dispatch referred to that he will not be staying long in the Mediterranean area; for he is expected back in Canada at the end of this week—to resume his leadership of the Progressive Conservative Party in its efforts to defeat the Minister of National Defence in Grey North on Feb. 5. Just how Mr. Bracken imagines that to deny General McNaughton a seat in the House of Commons—even though the present Parliament is soon to expire—will improve Canada's final contribution to victory is far from clear. Of course neither he nor his party is playing politics; perish the thought!

But the average fair-minded Canadian will probably suggest that the man who aspires to be Prime Minister of Canada, the man who has made no real effort to win his right to sit in Parliament since he became leader of his party early in December, 1942, is playing to the gallery by running all over Europe to acquire the "atmosphere" for a stage entry into the constituency of Grey North on the eve of a by-election.

#### A HOPEFUL SIGN

THE MERE FACT THAT THE PUBLIC Library last Saturday sent books into circulation at the rate of 204 an hour is a noteworthy commentary on Greater Victoria's appreciation of the service the library gives. More significant than the volume, however, was the type of publication taken out by readers. Almost half the day's aggregate was composed of nonfiction. That is a convincing indication of the growing trend toward education, rather than entertainment, among those who read.

It is an exceedingly healthy sign for the city and district that so many of its numbers want to be well-informed. In those not too distant days of peace, when the re-establishment problems present themselves more clearly, a background of knowledge on a variety of subjects will prove of value in their solution. Books provide a means of acquiring that background and their selection by the highly-competent library staff should be a material factor in shaping this district's preparedness for the period of perplexity ahead.

This does not suggest Greater Victoria is burying its collective noses exclusively in weighty tomes which could, at best, provide a theoretical answer only for questions that arise. Nor does it suggest that fiction should be ignored, either for its cultural or entertainment worth. But it does draw attention to a commendable trend among an increasing number of borrowers who are demonstrating appreciation of the reading facilities at their disposal.

#### DANGER STILL LURKS

SOME REMARKS TO WHICH MAJ.-GEN. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., G.O.C.-in-Chief Pacific Command, gave voice last week over the possibility of nuisance-raids by the Japanese against this area provide occasion for sober reflection. They are reminders of the fact that the Pacific war, which seemed so close before the Nips were driven from the Aleutians, is still far from finished. Successes in the Far East theatre have tended to create a public reaction on the Pacific Coast which places us in this region more in the role of remote spectators than of potential participants in actual conflict. It is a position which

all hope will be justified. But Gen. Pearkes and others who should be in a position to analyze the picture are not content to dismiss the possibility of a raid.

Their opinions would emphasize the continued need for precautions and for the maintenance of those agencies established to care for such an emergency. They justify preservation of the complicated machinery of civilian protection and should stir public opinion to an appreciation of the work the civil defence corps has carried on for the last four and a half years. When, after Pearl Harbor, danger seemed imminent, enthusiasm was not lacking for the establishment of air raid precautionary agencies. The establishment of specialized forces—and they range from auxiliary fire service and engineering divisions to First Aid, ambulance and Red Cross corps—was a task of some dimensions. The development of the different branches was indicated in a brief submitted to Mayor P. E. George this month by Inspector Arthur H. Bishop, Civil Defence Controller. It disclosed the original organization of 700 members drawn from all Greater Victoria had expanded to a point where Victoria personnel alone numbered 3,377 when 1945 statistics were compiled.

While the considerable expense entailed in maintenance and improvement of the civilian defence machinery must be a matter of record, there is little possibility of listing the number of man hours, woman hours and boy hours which have gone into the creation of the organization as it is today. And this area's Civil Defence activity, incidentally, holds a position akin to that held by fire insurance on a citizen's home. The citizen does not expect a fire and does not want one; but he cannot afford to risk non-maintenance of his insurance policy. Similarly, the remarks of Gen. Pearkes would indicate this section of the Pacific Coast is not yet in a position to abandon its protection in the form of Civil Defence.

#### MR. WALLACE'S JOB

CONGRESSMEN AT WASHINGTON OF both parties are gunning for former Vice-President Henry Wallace, famed as the author of the "Century of the Common Man," and with ultra-liberal views which differ considerably from those of even advanced Democrats. He is the target because Mr. Roosevelt has nominated him for the important post of Secretary of Commerce and head of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. His chief job would be to give point and performance to the President's promise of "60,000,000 jobs." In announcing the appointment, Mr. Roosevelt enunciated the objective in that sentence which is fundamental to the whole policy—"All Americans able and willing to work have the right to a job."

That basic policy obviously necessitates a national production and employment budget. Such a budget can be produced only by close co-operation between employment agencies and the government; and in his first conference after the presidential nomination, Mr. Wallace emphasized his "abiding faith in private enterprise." But the opponents of the former Vice-President cannot reconcile their economic philosophy and prerogatives with the outlook of the man who will have virtual control over the vast funds available to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. They are fighting the appointment under the shadow of what they assume is the ever-haunting menace of the "Century of the Common Man."

As Secretary of Commerce, of course, Mr. Wallace will be head of the department which keeps its finger on the total volume of production in the United States—which issues as durable and consumable goods into the channels of exchange. In this capacity he diagnoses the state of the market. As head of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation he is the doctor who prescribes the financial calories necessary to keep the market in good health. To make the "right to a job" for "every American able and willing to work" is the objective of good health.

#### RUSSIA'S NEIGHBORS

IF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, POLAND, EVEN Finland, Estonia, or Latvia, regard private enterprise as more efficient than state control of all production and distribution, Russia will learn by results. She will not attempt to force her political forms on states which believe political liberty is necessary to material and cultural progress—for the very common-sense reason that she will not desire to unite such states in a solid block antagonistic to the suppression of liberties they have previously enjoyed. To encourage such a block by pursuing policies in which these peoples do not believe, would be to hand to Germany a torch to set the world ablaze again.

Some of the prognostications of the course Russia may seem to be pursuing in some respects should not be considered as criticism. They are projected from the position most people would assume if they were in the same situation as Russia. The reason why the Soviet Union is not allowing full intercourse of her people in Russia with those of her Allies is probably simple enough. She does not regard them as ready for granted. Only too often are these liberties looked upon as unpleasant responsibilities by those who enjoy them; only too often are they regarded as privileges to foster prejudice by those whose aim is to destroy liberty to gain power.

The same tide which is sweeping the Allies to victory is sweeping Russia to intercourse with a world which is interdependent and in which all progress depends on peace and mutual understanding. Russia is not concerned with the ideologies of revolution, but with the economics of reconstruction. The latter depend on the maximum efficiency of production and management—which is a question of experience, application and adjustment to the constant changes essential to progress.

#### Walter Lippmann

##### UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER

THE QUESTION is whether the formula of unconditional surrender can be supplemented by a public declaration saying what the Germans may expect when they surrender their arms. It would not be impossible to do this if the Allies could foresee what they may expect of the Germans. Because they cannot foresee it, something more than a declaration is needed.

The crux of the problem is whether, when Germany is disarmed and at their mercy, the Allies will impose specific terms—severe but nevertheless definite and limited—or whether they will retain the right to formulate new demands for an indefinite period of time. There is little doubt that the fear of prolonged, indefinite and arbitrary demands acts as a powerful factor in enabling the Nazis to retain their grip upon the German nation.

The unknown is always more unacceptable than the known. For men can resign themselves to what is known. In the case of the Germans their own knowledge of the crimes they have committed undoubtedly causes them to believe that once in the power of the Allies, they will be treated as they have treated those who were defenseless under them.

A DECLARATION promising them good treatment could resolve this difficulty only if, when it was issued, more and more Germans began to believe in it. But it will not be easy to convince them that we are in fact stating a policy and not conducting a propagandist manoeuvre. For 20 years they were indoctrinated with the belief that President Wilson's Fourteen Points were propaganda designed to undermine their will to fight. They themselves know only too well how Hitler and Goebbels have made fair promises for the deliberate purpose of destroying the will to resist among their intended victims.

Anyone who is disposed to think it would be easy to convince the Germans now would do well to study how the German propaganda has used the Atlantic Charter, ever since 1941, to convince the Germans that they were about to be tricked and swindled.

The conclusion we are bound to come to is, it seems to me, that the formula of unconditional surrender, admittedly inadequate, cannot be made adequate by a mere declaration of our intentions. But it does not follow that we can do nothing; that it is impossible for us to take measures as a result of which we could in good faith with ourselves begin to exhibit our true intentions, and begin to dissolve the German fear of the unknown and the arbitrary.

These would be, I believe, measures to organize Europe strongly and firmly around Germany. This would mean, in the first instance, to unite all the neighbors of Germany by pacts of mutual assistance, reinforced and co-ordinated by the kind of pact which Senator Vandenberg has proposed. To do this would go a very long way to relieve the Allies of the need, the temptation, and the opportunity to follow separate and arbitrary policies in respect to Germany. For a sense of security against a renewal of aggression is the one and only basis on which a constructive and magnanimous policy can be formed.

BUT NO LESS important, the one thing most likely to convince the Germans that the Allies mean what they say is to present them with the accomplished fact that their enemies are securely organized. The Germans, who are a military people, will understand—perhaps better than some Americans—that they can escape arbitrary treatment from some of their present enemies only if all of their enemies are firmly bound together.

The Germans whom we can hope to convince—that is to say the unknown Germans who will rise to be the successors of the Nazis—will not be convinced that they can have a tolerable future by agitation that ends to break up the grand alliance, or by hesitation on our part to approve the pacts of mutual assistance and cap them with the kind of treaty which Senator Vandenberg has suggested. That offers hope to the Nazis to fight on, not to those who might follow the Nazis. For the Germans who will follow the Nazis the unity of the Allies in enforcing disarmament is indispensable. For if this unity does not exist, they can never hope to quell the Nazi underground, and they know quite well that, however disinterested America may be or become their near neighbors will then react drastically.

It has often been suggested that the Allies could promote a democratic revolt in Germany by promising Germany equal membership in a federated Europe. Such a promise cannot be made today and the Germans would not believe us if we made it then we believed them when Hitler proclaimed the new order in Europe. It is impossible to talk about a federation of Europe with Germany as an equal member until the rest of Europe is convinced that Germany, which has twice sought to conquer Europe, will in fact be no more than an equal member. To talk of European federation as an immediate project at the end of this war is like asking the Chinese, the Filipinos and the Californians to enter a federal union with the Japanese.

THE GERMANS know in their hearts that such a project is for the near future impossible, and therefore however sincerely some Americans and a few British may advocate it, they will look upon it either as a trick or as evidence of our own incurable naivete.

But present them with a Europe, backed by North America, which is a military federation against them for the period in which they must liquidate Nazism and pan-Germanism, and they will begin to believe us

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#### Letters To The Editor

##### FIRST FIREMEN OF VICTORIA

I wish to make a correction to a statement made in the Times of the 19th inst., in reference to the old volunteer fire department, with the rejoinder that there were 12 survivors.

May I be permitted to say that I am among that favored few? I joined the volunteer fire brigade in 1884, and on the city taking over the entire equipment a few years later, I was among those selected by the late Thomas Deasy—who was appointed chief. I believe the number of those chosen as active firemen was 21.

I served as a "call man" for about two years, at the munificent salary of \$15 per month, when I resigned on account of my business activities at that time. I am in my 87th year now, but, no doubt, there are a few who can recall hoseman Salmon of that rather remote time.

H. L. SALMON.  
R.M.D. 1, Saanichton, V.I. B.C.

##### I.O.D.E. BOOK DRIVE

In connection with the I.O.D.E. service libraries campaign to raise \$5,000 in Victoria, I feel the appeal is one of such importance and of such urgency that it cannot receive too much emphasis.

Books are almost as necessary for our forces as ammunition; in fact they might be called the morale ammunition. They go to Canadian troops in all parts of the world.

The public is invited to contribute money to supply this wide demand for reading material.

In February, 1940, a small beginning was made at national I.O.D.E. quarters in Toronto to assemble books. The demand was great; the work grew enormously. Some chapters began collecting used and new books. These went to the navy, arm and air force personnel; also to isolated stations in the Caribbean Sea, the Mediterranean and many spots not made public for security reasons. The men, too, of our merchant navy touching our ports needed books. They were supplied. Each ship leaving Esquimalt and Vancouver and other B.C. ports carries a box of books to sea. More recently the military

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Send what you can, thereby bringing some comfort and pleasure to our men and women of hospitals and convalescent homes have received their share. Their need for books will continue long after peace is declared.

For the first time in history the I.O.D.E. has been granted official permission to canvass the general public in this drive, and Victoria's part to raise is \$5,000 in this \$300,000 appeal. All its workers are voluntary and every cent collected is turned over to the Service Libraries.

The Victoria Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., is asking the public to send donations to the Treasurer Services Libraries, Union Building.

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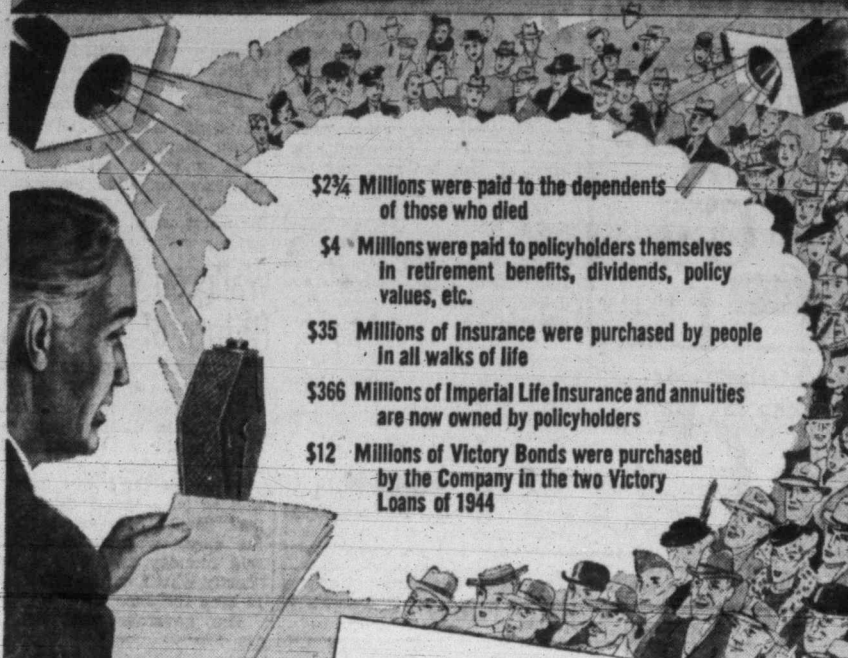
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- \$2 1/2 Millions were paid to the dependents of those who died
- \$4 Millions were paid to policyholders themselves in retirement benefits, dividends, policy values, etc.
- \$35 Millions of Insurance were purchased by people in all walks of life
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## SPENCER'S FOODS

### WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY VALUES - CASH AND CARRY

Picnics, smoked, tenderized, lb.	22c	Mild Cheese, colored, lb.	37c	Pure Lard, per lb.	12c
Boiled Ham, sliced, 1/2 lb.	33c	Cottage Cheese, per lb.	12c	Wieners, small, per lb.	25c

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### SERVICE MEATS - DELIVERED

#### 1944 Lambs

Legs, whole, per lb.	44c	Rib Chops, per lb.	42c	Forequarters, whole, per lb.	26c
Tenderloins Pork, per lb.	39c	Plate Beef, centres, lb.	16c	Mixed Round Steak, lb.	38c

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## VALUES OF INTEREST IN THE BOYS' STORE

### SNOW SUITS

for small boys, with helmets to match. These are in 1-piece style with full zipper, full belt and ankle bands. Brown, blue or red. Sizes for 3 to 6 years. 5<sup>95</sup>

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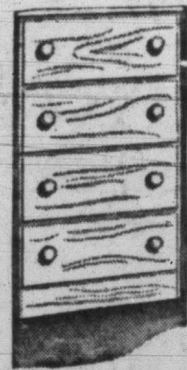
—Boys' Store, Government Street

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Completing six years together as a committee, this being the first meeting in the seventh year, Miss R. Kipling, chairman, remarked that of 16 members who worked in January, 1938, at the Government-Street headquarters, 10 were present.

All money raised by the committee is sent to Mme. Sun Yat-sen, chairman of the China Defence League for the relief of refugees, orphans and wounded in the area defended by the brave guerrilla soldiers of the North-west, an area in which dwell 52,000,000 people. A recent report speaks of the cave hospitals in which the heroism and selflessness of the doctors and nurses is such as is seldom encountered. The story tells of improvising of surgical instruments and medical equipment and adds, "Medical cotton is made of locally grown cotton and gauze from thread spun by the doctors and nurses themselves. The staff plant their own vegetable gardens and bring water from the river far down in the valley. They do their own laundering and other personal chores. For lack of anesthetics and of such essentials as glucose, they are obliged to perform many transfusions, for which staff members contribute the blood."

A rummage and superfluities sale will be held Feb. 3 and friends are asked for suitable clothing, kitchenware, china and other articles for sale. The shop is kept open from 9.30 till 5 where beads, sequins, buttons, novelties, babywear, aprons, quilts, oddments and clothing are on sale.

#### Pupils' Recital

A piano recital was given by pupils of Marion MacGovern, at her studio, Quadra Street, when many parents and friends attended. Little Ann Robertson gave several violin numbers. Robert Thomas announced the program and presented certificates from the Toronto Conservatory of Music to the following students: Grade one, first class honors, Larry Landy; honors, Freddie Barry; grade three, first class honors, Sheila Skinner; honors, La Verne McCom; grade four, honors, Jean Robertson, Pat Thomas; grade six, honors, Carol Thomas; grade seven, first class honors, Marjorie Jones. Other students taking part in the program were Dorothy and Eddie Keir, Lois McGregor, Dorothy McMurdo, Mary Girdler, Doris Thomas, Earl Smith, Glenn Hunnings, Doreen Robinson, Theresa Goodwin, Shirley Holland, Ann Stewart, Joan Archer, Brian Wright, Jean Robertson and La Verne McCom were accompanists.

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#### Mrs. C. Bosdet Leads Children's Aid W.A.

Mrs. C. Bosdet was elected president of the W.A. to the Children's Aid Society at the annual meeting held Monday at the Y.W.C.A.

Mrs. Bosdet will be supported by Mrs. G. H. Bissell, first vice-president; Mrs. H. Black, second vice-president; Mrs. O. Anderson, recording secretary; Mrs. J. Reid, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. G. Thorpe, treasurer; Mrs. G. Brown, press; social committee, Mrs. J. Moss, convener, Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Anderson.

Work accomplished during the year included a shower tea at the home of Mrs. R. W. Mayhew; the opening of No. 3 receiving home, including the purchasing of furniture for this and the nursery; large amount of sewing under the convenship of Mrs. T. Hartnell; gifts supplied to children.

Miss Rae Kirkendale, superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, spoke of the appreciation for assistance given by the W.A. and cited some of the welfare work done by the parent organization.

Mrs. George J. Alexander, retiring president, was thanked for her leadership during the year. Mrs. Bissell was presented with a fountain pen in recognition of her work as recording secretary for four years. Regret was expressed at the death of Mrs. L. A. Gane, a devoted worker, who passed away in Vancouver.

Next meeting will be a social at the home of Mrs. G. Kirkendale, Feb. 26.

#### Demobilization Policy Of W.D.'s Protested

Strong opposition to the "married women-out-first" demobilization policy of the Women's Division, R.C.A.F., is voiced in a letter to the Prime Minister from Mrs. Harvey Agnew, president of the National Council Y.W.C.A.

"If it has been possible to accept women workers because of their skill as workers, and without regard to their marital status, may we suggest," says Mrs. Agnew, "that it would make for better feeling in the country if women could be discharged from war work on the same grounds as men."

"We are informed," Mrs. Agnew continues, "that no consideration is given to the present marital status of members of the Women's Division, R.C.A.F.—whether they are widowed, divorced or separated—in all of which cases women are often self-supporting. In case we have been misinformed we would welcome your reassurance."

"We need hardly remind you," says the Y.W.C.A. president, "of the marvelous response married women have made to the urgent—even passionate—appeals of the Department of National Defence and the Department of Labor to enter the armed services and industry. It is a proven fact that in peacetime most married women work for money because of economic necessity, and not because of indifference to home responsibility. Many such women have loyally answered the call to war services."

#### Holidaying From Toronto



Maj. and Mrs. Hugh C. MacLean of Toronto are seen enjoying a walk in the gardens at the Empress Hotel. They arrived in Victoria a short time ago and will spend several weeks here. Maj. MacLean is head of the Hugh C. MacLean Publications in Toronto.

#### Wedding of Interest



Little Betty Brown precedes Lieut. and Mrs. John Stokes as they leave St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church following their marriage Monday evening.

A gown fashioned with a heavy white satin bodice fitting in points over a bouffant skirt of white net was chosen by Marie Ellen, daughter of Mrs. M. Ewing Thomas, 1054 Pandora Avenue, for her marriage Monday evening to Lieut. John Adrian Stokes, R.C.N.R., only son of Mrs. Harold Thirwall and the late Wm. Henry Stokes.

The bride's floor-length veil of French illusion cascaded from a cluster of white chrysanthemums and she carried a shower bouquet of gardenias and American Beauty roses centred with a white orchid.

Dr. J. M. Ewing gave the bride in marriage and she was attended by the groom's sister, Mrs. C. Milton, and Misses Joan Fletcher and Edna Hall. Wearing similar frocks of floral organza over tulle, the matron of honor was in pale blue while the bridesmaids were in pale pink. Matching veils were caught to coronets of flowers and Mrs. Milton carried an arm bouquet of pink carnations while Misses Fletcher and Hall had trailing chrysanthemums. The little flower girl was in pale blue and carried a colonial bouquet.

Lieut. Jack Goggin, R.C.N.V.R., was groomsman and ushering were H. S. McDougall, CPO, Roland Young and Lieut. B. McCutcheon. Rev. J. L. W. McLean performed the ceremony and C. C. Warren played the wedding music. During the signing of the register, Miss Kathleen Paulin sang "Because."

Mothers of the couple received many guests at a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thirwall, 302 Moss St. Dr. Ewing proposed the toast to the bride. Lieut. and Mrs. Stokes left for a honeymoon in Montreal and later will reside in Ottawa where the groom has been posted. Taking leave of the guests, the bride wore a watermelon red suit with a powder blue topcoat and hat.

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#### South Saanich W.I.

Petition of the municipalities to the government for a revision of the educational system of the province and that the cost of such a system should be a direct responsibility of the province, was endorsed by the South Saanich Women's Institute at the last meeting. A card party will be held Feb. 2. Mrs. Bryce showed small toys, easily made and suitable for sick children to use. Mrs. L. Farrell gave resume of films on handicraft shown to the Victoria Women's Institute.

#### Club Calendar

W.A. No. 65 to Typographical Union 201, Thursday, 2.15, Jones Building. . . . . Holmwood Sewing parties for British Brides, Wednesday, 2, under Langford Women's Institute. . . . . St. Mark's W.I., Tuesday, 2.30, parish hall. W.A. to Channel Islands Society annual meeting, Thursday, 2.30, 635 Fort Street. . . . . Liberal Women's Forum, executive meeting, Friday, 2.15, business meeting, 2.45, headquarters. . . . . Christ Church Cathedral Women's Parish Guild and Sewing Circle, annual meeting Thursday, 2.30, guildroom. . . . . W.A. No. 11 Area Signal Co., R.C. Signals, annual meeting, Wednesday, 8, Y.W.C.A.

#### Red Cross Notes

Annual Meeting. — Red Cross Workroom, 1010 Government Street, will be closed Thursday afternoon, in order that all members may attend the annual meeting to be held at 1006 Government Street at 2.30.

Strawberry Vale. — At the annual meeting receipts showed \$614 had been sent to headquarters directly from the unit, and \$476.51 raised by members who canvassed during the Red Cross drive. Mrs. E. Grouette was re-elected president; Mrs. H. Bowers, treasurer; Mrs. C. Martin, secretary. Mrs. R. Knight resigned as convener of overseas parcels, and Mrs. H. Fink will assume the office. During the year 893 knitted and sewn articles were for the services and 242 garments for refugees. Arrangements were made for a Valentine tea to be held Feb. 14, and an Easter tea and bazaar, April 4.

Gorge Unit. — The following officers were elected by acclamation at the annual meeting: Mrs. W. Dealey, president; Mrs. O. Booth, vice-president. Mrs. F. C. Boam, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. F. H. Davey, sewing convener; Mrs. H. Foster, wool convener. Mrs. Davey's report showed over 200 garments made during the year, while Mrs. Foster reported over 350 knitted articles. Including money raised during the annual campaign, over \$1,100 was turned in to headquarters. Mrs. A. Carmichael of Wartime Prices and Trade Board spoke. Sir Henry Drayton spoke on the urgent need of funds for the Red Cross.

#### Personals

Lieut. Josephine Barrington, who is stationed in Vancouver, is in Victoria on a short visit.

Mrs. Clifton Stuart of Beverly Hills, Calif., is visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Lyons are visiting at the Empress Hotel from Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Turnbull of New Westminster are at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Allen MacDonald of Duncan, formerly of Ganges, is a patient in the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David Pite have gone to Burgoyne Bay, Salt Spring Island, where they will take up residence.

Mrs. Ronald Rinaldi has left for Trail to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Josephine Kelly.

Mrs. Caroline O'Brien of Vancouver is the guest of Mrs. Charles W. McAllister, 1189 Yates Street.

Mrs. Joe Kline, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. Johns, has gone to Trail, where she was called owing to the illness of her daughter.

Mrs. Frank Scott of Ganges is spending a few days in Victoria en route to Los Angeles, where she will spend several weeks the guest of Mrs. M. Berx.

Mr. H. A. Bendick, 800 St. Charles Street, left by plane Monday for his home in Wetaskiwin, Alta. He was accompanied to Vancouver by Mrs. Bendick and his niece, Miss Florence Rowe.

Mr. T. D'Arcy McGee, K.C., and Mrs. McGee have returned to Ottawa after spending a month visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Lieut. T. D'Arcy McGee, R.C.N.V.R., and Mrs. McGee, Cadboro Bay.

Vancouver guests who attended the Stokes-Thomas wedding Monday evening, included Mrs. Frank Ellis, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thirwall, 302 Moss Street; Mrs. T. R. Anderson with Shirley and Robert and Miss B. Harris.

Miss Patricia Bell-Irving, daughter of Group Capt. and Mrs. Duncan Bell-Irving of Trenton, Ont., and formerly of Vancouver, will arrive in Vancouver Thursday. She will be the guest of Mrs. Ernest Rogers prior to coming to Victoria, where she will enter the Royal Jubilee Hospital training school for nurses.

As Chancellor of the University of British Columbia, Hon. E. W. Hamber, who is visiting here, will entertain at a reception this evening at the Empress Hotel for Victoria members of the University Alumni, following which there will be a round-table discussion. Among those who will entertain in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hamber will be Mr. Morton Paterson as a dinner host Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Molson, Rockland Avenue, will entertain at an after-five party Friday prior to a dinner which will be given by Mrs. C. F. Armstrong, York Place.

#### Urges Better Care For British Babies

BRISTOL, England (CP)—Britain is losing 4,000 child lives a year which could be saved, says Dr. R. H. Parry, medical health officer here.

His suggested remedy: Incubators for babies, human milk depots, and specialized medical attention like that provided in New Zealand.

"For every 8,000 babies born, New Zealand is saving 100 more than any other part of the British Empire," said Dr. Parry in an interview.

"In my annual report for Bristol I have to record the death of 182 babies in 1944, which is a low record."

"But if we, in this country, had a similar scheme to that of New Zealand, I am confident we could have saved at least 100 of the 182."

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Baynes, Langford Lake, announce the engagement of their daughter Hetty Elizabeth, to Gnr. Nicholas Diakiw, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Diakiw of Lavington, B.C. The wedding will take place in February.

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#### Y.P. Societies

Langford-Colwood A.Y.P.A. — Next meeting will be Thursday at 8 in the Canadian Legion Hall.

Victoria A.Y.P.A. Council—Rev. Wm. Askew led a discussion on the "Church in Rehabilitation" at the meeting of the Victoria and District A.Y.P.A. Local Council. Nellie Styron opened the meeting with prayers and Robert Jervis-Read presided. The council accepted for all branches an invitation from the Cathedral branch to a pre-Lenten social Feb. 13 in the Memorial Hall. Each branch was asked to prepare a skit for this occasion. The usual lectures will be held Sunday afternoons during Lent in the

Memorial Hall. Branch announcements included: St. Alban's parish social, Friday; St. John's annual banquet and dance, Feb. 1; St. Barnabas' penny fair, Feb. 6 and St. Mary's annual dance, Feb. 9. John Paterson closed the meeting with prayer.

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## P.T.A. News

Strawberry Vale—A Valentine's night entertainment will be held Feb. 14 at the school.

Tillikum-Craigflower—A sum of money was voted to the purchase of more books for the library at the last meeting. Mrs. Bennett of the Nursery School Association, spoke. Hobbies and handicrafts of the pupils were on display, having been judged by Mrs. R. Flint and G. Sinclair. Refreshments were served by Mesdames S. Alexander, C. White, L. Philbrook, E. Ratten and S. Vosper. Next meeting will be at Tillikum School when Mesdames V. Sandford, H. Gibson, S. C. Hawkins and C. Gardier will be hostesses.

Mrs. F. Kermode, newly-appointed president, presided at the meeting of Servimus Group of the W.A. of Metropolitan Church held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Muncy. Mrs. H. O. English conducted the devotional period. Rev. A. E. Whitehouse, D.D., spoke on religion and superstition. Next meeting will be Feb. 9 at the home of Mrs. English, Dewdney Avenue.

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## Clubwomen

Sister E. Joyce presided at the meeting of Carne Rebekah Lodge, No. 45, when arrangements were made for the president's visit on Feb. 15. A banquet will be served at 6.15 at Terry's, and the Rebekah degree will be conferred during the meeting. A surprise social evening will follow the next meeting, Feb. 1.

Mrs. R. S. Standerwick was elected president of the women's auxiliary to the Tuberculosis Veterans at the annual meeting. Other officers are honorary president, Mrs. A. Booth; first vice-president, Mrs. M. Fletcher; second vice-president, Mrs. A. Clarke; treasurer, Mrs. L. Scharke; secretary, Mrs. T. Fulthorp; house committee, Mesdames F. Huelin, A. Smirl and G. Kemshaw. A Valentine's tea will be held Feb. 14 from 3 to 5 at the home of Mrs. J. Adams, 340 George Road West. Next meeting will be in the clubrooms Feb. 1 at 2.30.

Belmont United Church W.A. held its annual meeting at the home of Dr. T. E. Holling, who conducted the devotional. Officers elected included: Honorary president, Mrs. R. Dicks; president, Mrs. G. A. Butler; vice-president, Mrs. B. McNeish; secretary, Mrs. F. E. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Calderhead; assistant secretary, Mrs. J. G. Leighton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. V. Guest; parsonage committee, Mrs. S. W. Emery and Mrs. A. Parfitt; pianist, Mrs. W. Harwood; and sewing committee, Mrs. M. Warburton and Mrs. J. G. Leighton. A play has been chosen, to be presented at a later date.

## Salt Spring Island

GANGES—The annual meeting and supper of the congregations of the United Church on Salt Spring Island was held at Ganges Inn, Wednesday, Rev. Dewar presiding.

Treasurer's report showed the sum of \$1,445.11 had been received in the year, and after all expenses and obligations had been met there was a balance in hand of \$52.63. The pastor thanked the Ladies' Aids of Ganges and Fulford for the splendid support they had given, and noted that there had been an increased attendance at church. He stressed the need to support the Sunday school and young people's groups. Miss H. Dean and Mrs. H. May were re-elected to the board of stewards for a term of three years, and the secretary, treasurer, W. M. Mouat, and auditor, S. Wagg, were re-elected for 1945.

Mrs. Jack Abbott was elected president of the St. George's Church Altar Guild annual meeting held in the parish room. Vice-president, Mrs. G. H. Holmes, was in the chair. Treasurer's report showed \$35.30 on hand and \$186.99 had been raised during the year. It was decided to hold the meeting the first Wednesday in the month instead of Tuesday. Arrangements were made to hold a tea Feb. 13 in the parish room, with Mrs. F. Stacey as general convener and Mrs. Abbott in charge of the stall for bulbs and flowers. Miss Marion Norton was welcomed as a new member. Other officers elected were: Vice-president, Mrs. G. H. Holmes; secretary, Mrs. H. Newham; treasurer, Mrs. F. Stacey; flower convener, Mrs. W. Norton. Mrs. Holmes was tea hostess.

Mrs. H. E. Townsend was re-elected president of the Burgoyne Bay United Church Ladies' Aid at the annual meeting held at the home of Mrs. C. Lee, Fulford. Mrs. J. Dewar presided. Plans were made for a silver tea to be held in April from which proceeds would go towards the church funds. Other officers elected were: Vice-president Mrs. J. Cairns; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. P. C. Mollett. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Cairns.

## Ration Coupons

Ration coupons valid Wednesday are: Butter coupons Nos. 90 to 93; sugar coupons Nos. 46 to 51; and preserve coupons Nos. 33 to 38.

## English Girl Is 2,000th Cwac

WINNIPEG (CP)—For the second time in her life Margaret Robble of London, Eng., has sworn allegiance to the King and donned khaki.

Recently she became the 2,000th girl to join the C.W.A.C. in M.D. 10 and was personally attested by Brig. R. O. G. Morton, district officer commanding. She will be the first Cwac to wear four red service chevrons by virtue of her four years service with the Auxiliary Territorial Service, Britain's older sister of the C.W.A.C. She will also wear the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and maple leaf clasp.

Margaret is as pretty as the landscape in her native England. She's pleasant, intelligent and charming. And her name wasn't always Robble. It used to be Driscoll.

One hectic night, when the blitz was blasting London, Margaret took shelter in a New Zealand forces canteen. There she met a Winnipeg N.C.O. named Henry Robble. Two months later she was Mrs. Robble—married during an air raid.

## URGE TO JOIN

After Dunkerque, Margaret could no longer resist the urge to join. Although she was two years under age she enlisted in the Auxiliary Territorial Service in October, 1940. Later they found out she was only 16 and out she went.

Then, after her home was blitzed and her birth certificate and other evidence of her age were destroyed, she enlisted again. She served four years as a switchboard operator in the A.T.S. until she came to Canada with her husband.

Margaret likes everything about Canada—the snow, lights and luxuries. "I like the people, they're very friendly."

And although, right now Pte. Robble would like to share the hardships with her folks back home, she wants to be in Canada after the war.

## Dorothy Dix

### CANNOT ESCAPE DUTY

Dear Miss Dix: I am fed up with married life. Have been married two and a half years and have a baby 14 months old who is a little devil on wheels. He never goes to sleep before 10 o'clock at night. Tears everything apart in the house, and even as I write this letter I hear his nasty, spoiled cry, and my nerves are completely wrecked.

I long to be back at my old job, but my husband tells me that we are through if I should go to work, because it would change his classification in the draft. What I plan to do is to go to work and let my mother keep my baby. I would be so much happier, but would I be doing justice to the man I love?

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### PROBLEMS MUST BE SOLVED

Answer: The best thing for you to do is to grow up. Be adult. Evidently you are still mentally a child, with a child's lack of any sense of responsibility or of meeting any of the obligations you have assumed. You are not trying to solve your problems. You are just running away from them, and it can't be done. When you try to dodge one, you will find that a worse one has arisen in its place.

You are tired of taking care of a restless little child and you calmly propose to dump him on your mother, with no thought of the burden he will be upon her, and that it is hard on an old woman to run after a crawling baby. But if you have any vestige of a mother's heart in you, no matter how far you go you will never be far enough not to hear a little boy's crying for M-o-t-h-e-r.

Wake up from your dream that you can go through life doing just what you want to do. Quit acting like a spoiled child. Be a woman and meet a woman's responsibilities. That is the only way you will find any happiness.

Sanna Runacres Circle of Oak Bay United Church held its first birthday party at the home of the advisory president, Mrs. W. W. McPherson, 837 Oliver Street. Mothers of the members were also guests for the occasion. Games were played after which refreshments were served by the hostess. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Phyllis Mebs, 1601 Yale Street, Wednesday at 8.

The following druggists of Victoria and District are A.I.D. stores—Watch for Thursday's Advertisements in this paper:

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## 'Mad Colonel' of Arnhem Is Wed in London



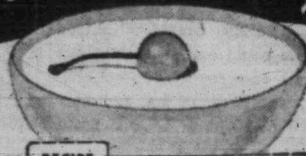
The "mad colonel" of Arnhem, Lt. Col. David Doble, D.S.O., commanding officer of a parachute battalion of the Red Devils at Arnhem, Holland, is shown after his marriage in England to Alice Rosemary Hunter-Blair of Chelsea. A guard of honor, made up of Arnhem veteran paratroopers, attended the ceremony.

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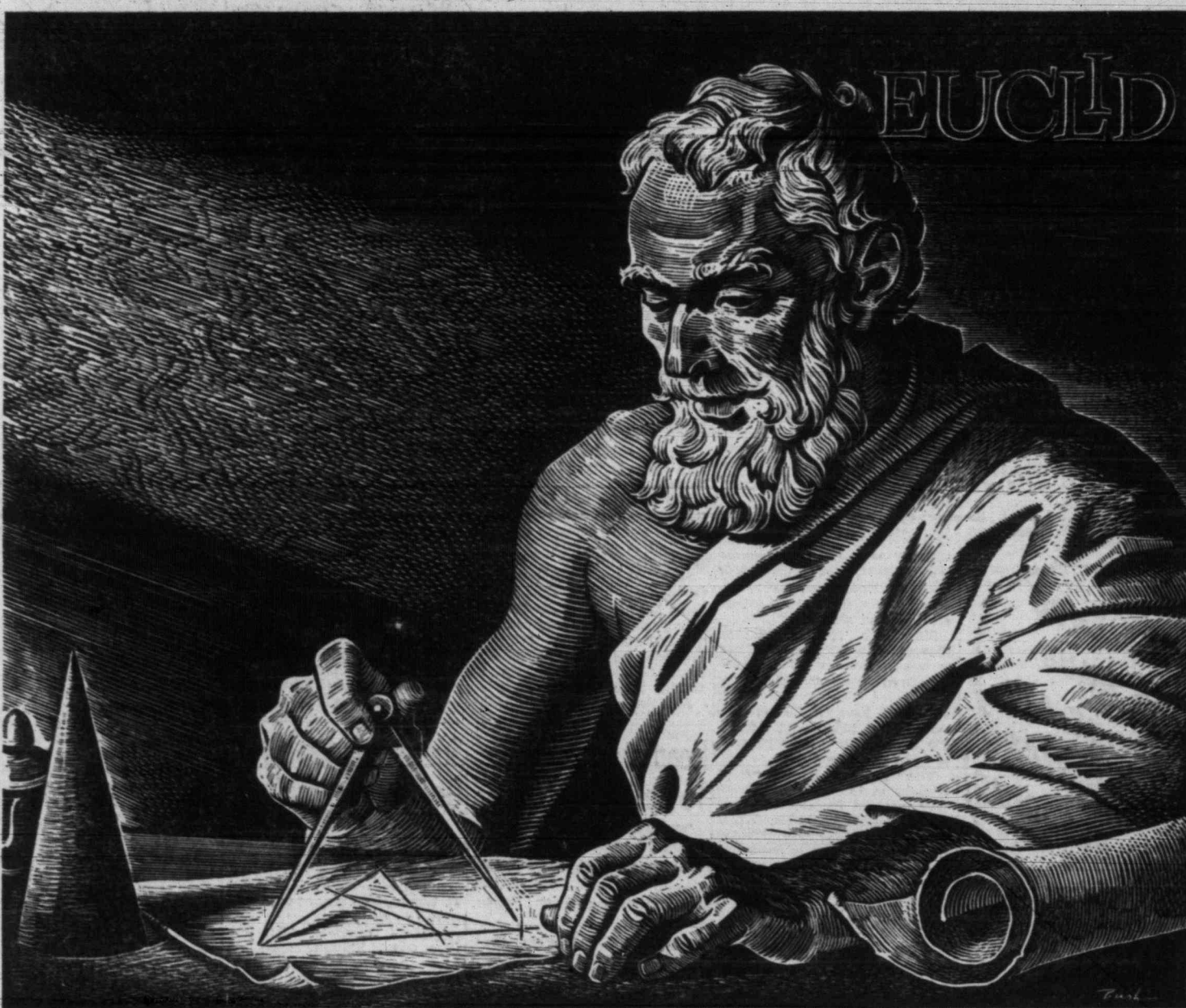
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## Prosecution Pending Against Parents Of Oak Bay Truants

Oak Bay School Board in session Monday evening, decided to take court action against the parents of a family of four children, three of whom are consistently playing truant from school.

B. C. Gillie, principal of Wilfrid School, reported that three of the four children of this particular family have proved incorrigible, and that apart from what he suspected was improper care on the part of the mother the family were continually being infected with scabies and endangering the entire school. It was decided, in view of this, to have the medical health officer for Oak Bay call on the home and see what could be done about clearing up that situation.

Mr. Gillie reported that since the first of November one child had attended school seven days, absent 30; another attended three days, absent 31; and the third attended 20 and was absent 17.

It was decided to take similar steps with regard to a second family whose children are also consistently truant. The board felt that there was little point in sending police officers after the children themselves any longer, as it was the fault of the parents and they should pay the penalties.

It was reported that there were no cases of truancy disclosed at the recent survey held by the Provincial Health Department in Oak Bay High School with a mobile X-ray unit. There were 279 students examined from grades 10, 11 and 12.

**P.T. DISPLAY**

Mrs. H. A. Beckwith reported that plans for the physical training display were going ahead and that it would be staged Thursday, March 15, in Victoria High School gymnasium. Members from the Pro-Reo girls and the Oak Bay Girls Drill Team will also participate.

Chairman Colin T. Martin named the following committees for 1943. The first in each case is the chairman: Finance, R. N. Collison, R. M. Lockhead; buildings and grounds, Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, R. S. S. Yates; education, R. M. Lockhead, Mrs. Beckwith.

It was announced by Mr. Gillie that the P.T.A. had given \$75 to Wilfrid School to buy a back drop for the stage.

He also reported that the soccer fields at Windsor Park

were in such bad condition that they were felt to be a real danger to the school children playing soccer games there because of ruts worn by bicycles. A resolution was addressed to the municipal council by the board asking them to have the matter remedied immediately.

Plans for the Junior High School have been sent to the Council of Public Instruction, together with a grant to aid in the cost of building the school.

Mr. Gillie pointed out that a great many children are bringing their lunches to school and he felt that it would be possible for many of them to go home and would be better for the children. It was decided to authorize the school to send a circular to all parents requesting them to have the children home for lunch whenever possible.

The preliminary consideration of school estimates for 1943 was started, and discussion will continue at a special meeting, Jan. 29.

## Salvage Collections Take in \$18,244

With the exception of waste paper collections, salvage operations decreased during 1944 as compared to 1943 according to a report issued by Maj. J. E. Matthews, treasurer of the Salvage Corps here.

He points out that the demand for paper is still as urgent as ever. During 1944 \$6,224.69 worth was marked by the Salvage Corps, compared with \$4,983.50 in 1943, an increase of \$1,241.19.

Bottles and glass continued at a fairly even rate, showing a decrease for the year of \$609.91. Sales for 1944 were \$3,324.51, compared with \$3,934.42 in 1943.

Rags and similar products are still in great demand, Maj. Matthews said, and bring a good price on the open market. Returns for 1944 were \$2,803.59, and \$3,924.96 in 1943.

Receipts for furs are down because of the cut in price, with \$2,585.93 being brought in during 1944, and \$2,877.99 in 1943. Sale of metals dropped from \$6,218.97 in 1943 to \$5,091.21 in 1944.

Total sales for the year, including miscellaneous articles sold at the depot, were \$18,244.52, a drop of \$6,621.57 from 1943.

**OPERATING COSTS DOWN**

Operating costs for the year, including labor, truck operations, etc., were \$15,033.80, which is a drop of \$6,450.54 from the preceding year.

During the year donations were given from salvage funds as follows: Welcome Club, \$600; Citizens' War Services Committee, \$600; Arena Fund, \$50; Canadian Red Cross, \$565; Citizens' Rehabilitation Council, \$250; British Bundles, \$3,250.

Since the opening of the Cloverdale Depot in April, 1941, it was reported over 11,000,000 pounds of salvage materials have been saved. The scrap iron and steel alone have provided enough material to manufacture 4,000,000 bayonets or sufficient steel to build two corvettes.

There has been enough copper brought in to supply the necessary material for approximately 200,000 automatic rifles. Worn-out rubber articles have provided rubber for all that is needed in the construction of a battleship or 1,000,000 yards of rubber sheeting.

Enough fat has been shipped to fire 50,000 anti-tank shells or produce 10,000 pounds of dynamite, plus enough ingredients to spray 500 tanks.

The tent salvaged would provide lead required in the manufacture of 2,000 anti-aircraft guns. In the glass held the amount salvaged would represent 2,000,000 quart sealers.

Paper and magazines have been, after providing for the needs of reading matter for the troops, sufficient to manufacture 300,000 rolls of roofing necessary to build 2,000 hangars for the air force.

**Coal Output Down**

Vancouver Island mines produced 674,862 tons of coal in 1944, compared with 729,989 tons in 1943, according to figures made public by Hon. E. C. Carson, Minister of Mines.

Total B.C. coal production last year was 1,843,326 tons, compared with 1,821,654 in 1943.

Island production in December amounted to 45,529 tons, while production for the whole province reached 130,372 tons.

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## Three Postwar Periods In Rehabilitation, Perry

Canada will face three periods in postwar re-establishment, Hon. H. G. T. Perry, Minister of Education and chairman of the B.C. government's Bureau of Postwar Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, Monday evening told Victoria Citizens' Rehabilitation Council meeting in the City Hall.

The first is here now, Mr. Perry said, with men being discharged daily from the armed forces. This period, when the discharges increase, he sees as a period of dislocation, disturbing and anxious, but with the problems largely local, and will last from six to nine months.

The second period, lasting one or two years, he said, would be a buoyant one, and the problem would be to avoid inflation, which would lead to depression. In this period, he said, public works should be restricted, except where absolutely needed locally.

The third, or long-term period, Mr. Perry said, will require an expanding economy, high volume of construction, mobility of labor, higher consumption economy, agricultural stabilization, new industries, services and skills, export markets.

**UNEMPLOYMENT**

In the first period, the minister said, there will be localized unemployment. He gave figures to show there are about 30,000 British Columbians in the armed forces; about 30,000 in the war industry; in Victoria alone, he said, are more than 8,000 people in war industry.

This first period will be anxious, he said, because men in the forces, used to having everything provided for them, will be largely on their own, and workers in war industries, used to good wages, may be faced with unemployment insurance.

In addition to all the British Columbians, he said, there also will be thousands of persons from other parts of Canada who will wish to settle in this province. That problem is also worrisome, Mr. Perry said, and he sometimes wished those people could wait for more settled conditions "and then we would welcome them, not only from Montreal and elsewhere in Canada, but from the old land as well."

Mr. Perry warned against what he called foolish optimism. "It will be foolish for anyone to think we can go on building ships after the war at the same rate we are building them today," he said.

The minister told of many of the plans now being made by various governments to meet rehabilitation problems.

**DISAPPOINTMENT**

He said he is disappointed that the director of the Land Settlement Act has so far shown little activity in taking over some of the 1,000,000 acres of B.C. land promised by the B.C. government to Ottawa to help in settling returned men.

Mr. Perry noted future plans

## Road at Ladysmith To Be Straightened

Tenders for revision of the Island Highway at Oyster Bay, Vancouver Island, were opened Monday by Hon. Herbert Anscomb, Minister of Public Works, as follows:

Campbell Construction Company, \$71,612; Garner Brothers Construction Company, \$56,288; G. W. Ledingham Company, \$71,622; Coast Construction Company, \$56,280; General Construction, \$53,658; Campbell Contracting Company, \$57,686; Dawson, Wade and Company, \$58,999.

The highway, where it sweeps around the top of the bay at Ladysmith will be straightened out.

## In Police Court

Two youthful Esquimalt car owners, Victor Redlick and Albert Francis Jones, both guilty of stealing gasoline, were fined \$75 each in Esquimalt court Monday by Magistrate H. C. Hall, who giving them until Saturday to raise the fines, told them if necessary they would have to sell their cars to pay the money.

He fixed jail terms for default of the fines at two months each. Evidence showed the pair siphoned gasoline from cars of Ernest Vahr Horne and Ernest Merton at Yarrows Ltd., No. 1 plant.

Charged with dangerous driving following an accident Dec. 29, on Esquimalt Road, George Cronk, naval rating, was fined \$25. Sentence was suspended for P.O. Allick C. Croft, who pleaded guilty of dangerous driving Jan. 12. He told the court he had been speeding on Esquimalt Road when told at naval barracks that his wife had been taken to hospital.

Seventeen cyclists were each fined \$2.50 for riding bicycles at night without lights. Four motorists paid a total of \$32.50 in traffic and parking fines.

## One Mill Increase In School Taxes For Saanich Area

An increase of approximately one mill in taxation in Saanich is indicated by the preliminary draft of the school budget for 1945 drawn up Monday evening by Saanich School Board trustees.

More than four hours was devoted to discussion of the budget.

Efforts were made to hold the budget down, but the increase was attributed to a number of factors, including the recently inaugurated teachers' salary schedule; mounting number of pupils enrolling in Saanich schools necessitating the appointment of additions to the teaching staff; and the need for extra school supplies.

The final estimate draft will go before a special meeting to be held Feb. 6, and will be received by the council for its meeting on Feb. 13.

Trustee M. P. Paine, reporting for J. Savage, architect, said progress with plans for the proposed new school buildings was satisfactory. The board was informed the matter would be gone over with them by a representative of the B.C. Construction Control Advisory Committee expected in Saanich next week.

The board announced its intention to make representation at a meeting to be held in Victoria with M. A. Cameron, commissioner, now conducting a survey of educational costs in the province.

Following a report by Dr. J. L. Gayton, municipal health officer, on lighting conditions at Mount Newton High School, the board said it would make the necessary changes.

Night school classes being held Tuesday evenings at Mount Newton would be of three-hour duration, instead of two, it was announced.

Approval by the municipal zoning board of an addition to Cloverdale School was noted. Mrs. G. Mugford is to be added to the teaching staff.

## St. Matthew's Church Holds Annual Meeting

Rev. G. H. Greenhalgh presided at the annual vestry meeting of St. Matthew's Church, Langford, in the Legion Hall.

H. W. McKenzie was nominated vicar's warden and E. Jeffery was reappointed people's warden. Mr. Greenhalgh thanked the guild members, Sunday school teachers and church wardens for their support during the past year.

Satisfaction was expressed with the concrete church path, paid for by the Ladies' Guild. Announcement was made that the Men's Committee would shortly improve the church grounds. Organists, Mrs. Kirkby and W. Bartle, were thanked for their services.

Ivan J. Seabrook was appointed to attend Synod and E. Jeffery and Mrs. H. A. Hincks to rural deanery conference. Mrs. D. B. Bullen presented the Guild report, Mrs. Hincks the Altar Guild, Mr. Jeffery Vicarage Fund, Mrs. A. F. Bayles was auditor. Guild members were appointed mission-ary representatives.

**South Saanich Farmers' Institute** held its 30th annual meeting when the following were appointed to office: President, William D. Mitchell; vice-president, Henderson Lawrie; secretary, Geo. Spencer; directors, Messrs.

## Circulation Record Set By City Library

Victoria's Public Library Saturday established what is believed to be a record for one day's circulation of books. During the day 2,430 volumes were distributed, making the number going out approximately 204 an hour.

An average Saturday's circulation runs slightly under 1,900, Miss Margaret Clay, librarian, reported.

Included in the 2,430 listed Saturday were 1,033 novels, 947 non-fiction and 450 juvenile books.

The nonfiction percentage was particularly high, Miss Clay said.

## Seek to Prolong Life Of B.C. Fish Nets

The B.C. Industrial and Scientific Research Council have announced appointment of B. Farner as research chemist to investigate methods of preserving fish nets.

Need of B.C. fishermen for a preservative to lengthen the life of nets has been the reason for instigating the research.

The work is being carried out at the Pacific Fisheries Experimental Station, Vancouver, in co-operation with Edward Lipsett, Ltd., and other interested firms.

## Teacher Resigns As Alderman

VANCOUVER (CP) — Ivan Roscoe Miller, North Vancouver teacher, who was declared last week by Mr. Justice Coady to be disqualified from holding public office in the north shore city has tendered his resignation as alderman.

At the same time Mr. Justice Coady signed the order which bars Miller from the office to which he was elected Dec. 14.

The judge ordered Miller to pay the cost of James Reginald Lanyon and Ald. Sydney Humphreys, who petitioned the court for a ruling on the eligibility of teachers to sit in the city council.

## F.D.R. Asks Higher Food Production

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Roosevelt is calling on Americans today to help grow, process, conserve and share food.

A statement issued Monday by the President paid tribute to the performance of Americans who in the last three war years have had a part in the food program.

"As we enter a new year," it added, "the demands for our food at home and abroad are so great that it is essential for every man and woman to do everything to help in the huge task of getting the food produced and seeing that it is conserved and shared."

The President specifically urged town and city dwellers "to assist farmers in every possible way." He asked victory gardeners to "continue their good work." He called on those who can spare the time to "assist the nation's food processors." He requested women who can preserve food at home to "carry on until the war is won."

**B.C. Conference of the United Church of Canada** will be held in Canadian Memorial Church, Vancouver, May 16 to 23. Lay Association will meet May 15.

Sydney Pickles, Walter Holloway, E. R. Heal, W. W. Mitchell and A. Doney.

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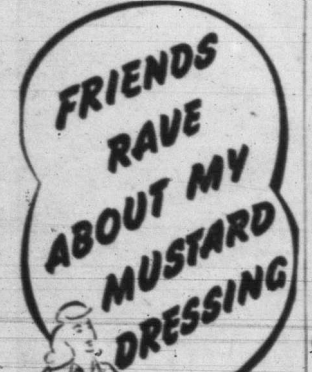
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# Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

VICTORIA MACHINERY DEPOT may not win the championship of the soccer league, but they certainly rate as the number one mudders in the circuit. The lads from the shipyards have demonstrated they can really handle that round ball in the heavy going. Oddly enough, both times the V.M.D. have hit a scoring rampage in the mud, Nanaimo have been the victims. Earlier in the season the V.M.D. spanked the up-landers 7 to 1 and Saturday it was 11 to 2. Secret of the club's success under the adverse conditions is the ability of the players to keep control of the ball. V.M.D. team is composed chiefly of veterans who boast plenty of soccer brains. Then again, the shipyarders are a big team and better able to stand up under the heavy going. West's got back on the win van Sunday by trimming the Navy. The bluejackets had several Royal Navy lads in their line-up, but the Britishers suffered badly from lack of competition and practice.

HAVING held to the opinion since the start of the season that the Montreal Canadiens are far the better team in the National Hockey League when they want to step out and play hockey, it is no surprise to find them resting in first place by an eight-point margin over Detroit Red Wings. Canadiens earlier in the season disposed of a challenge to their top berth by Toronto and now appear to have outdistanced Detroit. When the pressure is on, the Flying Frenchmen get out and play the calibre of hockey that swept them to the Stanley Cup last spring. At this stage I can't see any other club in the league capable of taking away the Montreal club's world professional hockey championship.

SPEAKING of hockey, one wonders how long it will take major hockey to return to normal after the war is ended. Rogers Hornsby, one of the greats in major baseball, says it will take five years after the war before baseball returns to prewar level. Hornsby is of the opinion baseball will have to launch an extensive educational program to develop new players. Otherwise there will be a conflict between the laws of supply and demand. The school idea is already well established in hockey with most of the N.H.L. teams strong advocates of the idea, so that the hockey managers won't have to worry so much about the future crop of younger players.

HOWEVER, it's the immediate postwar years that will give hockey some trouble. Many former major league performers will be too old, while others may not be able to turn in the same game they did before joining the armed forces. Senior teams in Canada, except where service clubs are operating, are practically non-existent, so there will be no selection there. Talent will have to come, as it does now, from the 'teen-agers, mainly until the hockey picture is normal again, and the complete senior and junior set-up is working across the Dominion.

## No Early Successor To Kenesaw Landis

CHICAGO (AP) — There probably will be discussion of a new commissioner to govern baseball when the major leagues hold their joint meeting at New York Feb. 3 but, in the opinion of William Harridge, president of the American League, it is doubtful if a man to replace the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis will be elected.

"I do not believe they want to rush into an election without taking sufficient time to discuss possible candidates," he said.

The 10-man committee which drew up a new major league agreement will meet in New York Feb. 2 to approve a final

## Port Arthur Scores Second Hockey Win

PORT ARTHUR (CP) — Port Arthur Shipbuilders, western Canada senior hockey champions, scored a 4 to 3 victory over Winnipeg's H.M.C.S. Chippawa here Monday night to make a clean sweep of their two exhibition hockey games. Port Arthur won the first game 6 to 1 Saturday.

Norm Wright, Waikato Koyisto, Jack Marshall and Callum McKay counted for Shipbuilders, while L.W. Len Reise netted two and L.S.A. Hal Laycoe one for Chippawa.

formal draft, and the joint meeting of the league will be held the following day to approve the document.

## Montreal Royals Setting Pace In Quebec Hockey

MONTREAL (CP) — There is no disposition on the part of Montreal Royals to see Quebec Aces short, even if the Quebec senior Hockey League leaders are holding a 10-point margin on last year's Allan Cup winners.

Royals have held the edge for most of the season, but Aces have a habit of finishing strongly, and there are still the league playoffs ahead.

Hull Volants and Ottawa Commandos are scrambling for third spot.

Whether it be Royals or Aces who represent the Q.S.H.L., the chances are they will be meeting Valleyfield Braves in the provincial senior finals, although none of the other three teams in the Inter-provincial League can be ruled out as yet — Lachine Rapids least of all.

The Braves are five games out in front in the inter-prov., with their greatest opposition from now on in probably to come from the rejuvenated Lachine Rapids who have been moving up fast in the last couple of weeks. Rapids went into a second-place tie with Cornwall Flyers during the week-end, but actually they are in a more favored spot than that, because they have five games in hand over the Flyers, and three in hand over the Braves.

Four teams are still definitely in the running for top honors in Montreal's Junior Amateur Hockey Association, the loop which will produce the province's representative in Memorial Cup play-downs.

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## Ike Williams Puts Maxie Berger Away

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Ike Williams, Trenton, N.J., lightweight, knocked out Maxie Berger, Montreal, welterweight, in 2:51 of the fourth round of their scheduled 10-round bout at the arena Monday night.

The 5,451 fans who paid a gate of \$13,859, sat through a listless four-rounds before Williams, stalking Berger all the way, finally landed a hard right to the Canadian's chin to wind up the bout.

## Seek Table Tennis Titles



RAY DAWSON

GEORGE LOWE



RUTH PAYNE

NANCY LEY

Four players seen above will be in the thick of the fight for titles in the annual city championship tournament of the Victoria Table Tennis Association which opens tomorrow evening at the Crystal Garden.

Play will continue through to Saturday when all finals are scheduled. Dawson is the leading player in the current league campaign; Lowe is western Canada champion; Ruth Payne holds the western Canada crown while Nancy Ley is a promising junior performer. With practically all champions entered to defend their crowns competition is expected to prove exceptionally keen.

## Cage Tourney Plans Advance

## Alpines-Gremlins In

With two of the four teams, Seattle Alpine Dairy and Pat Bay Gremlins, already having accepted the invitation to participate, plans are developing rapidly for the staging of Victoria's first international two-night basketball tournament under the joint auspices of the Kinsmen Club and the Victoria and District Basketball League, at the Willows, Feb. 23 and 24.

Word of acceptance was expected back today from Fort Lewis Warriors and University of British Columbia Thunderbirds.

Meeting Monday night under the chairmanship of Jack Phillips the committee in charge of the tournament went ahead with plans for the major winter sports promotion.

As the games are being staged with the object of fostering basketball in the city, it was decided to admit children to the exhibitions at a reduced charge and provide them with one complete section. The youngsters will remain in their own seating accommodation under supervision so as to prevent them from running all over the building.

INITE McCULLOUGH

After considerable discussion it was decided to send an invitation to Tim McCullough, well-known Seattle referee, to work the games along with a Victoria official. Selection of the local referee will be made at a later date. It was felt that in an international event of this kind that one United States official should work in the games.

In order to provide the fans

with entertainment during the halftime periods and between games an invitation has been sent to the Victoria Girls Drill Team; Royal Canadian Navy Band and a tumbling group from the Y.M.C.A. to appear on the show.

A smart souvenir program will be put out for the tournament with the proceeds from the sale to go towards the war funds of the Kinsmen Club for whose benefit the basketball event is being promoted.

As all big promotions are marked by an opening ceremony it was decided to have Ernie Stock, president of the basketball league, toss up the ball to start the first game the opening night and Bill Dillabough, president of the Kinsmen, get the teams away in the curtain-raiser the second evening.

Next Sunday morning the first working party will visit the Willows Badminton Building, scene of the tournament and start arranging for the seating accommodation. It is hoped to provide seating for close to 3,000.

Naming of the various committees to handle the details of the tournament was left in the hands of chairman Phillips and secretary Pete Sallaway.

## Basketball Results

In city league basketball games played Monday night at the High School Hudson's Bay girls defeated the Comets, 32 to 29; Chinese Students turned back Hillcrest Fuel in the men's senior B section, and St. Louis College won from the V.M.D. in the intermediate B boys' division.

## They'll Do It Every Time



## Alex Barth Rates Hard Luck Honors In Racing World

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — If they had blood banks for thoroughbreds, Alex Barth might have wound up 1944 as horse of the year. Instead, he was voted the season's hard-luck champion.

The Millbrook Stable's son of Chance Play-Joybird, now five years old, earned \$99,560—pretty good for a horse the vets said was anemic all summer and hasn't nearly enough blood to be out there running.

Once a cheap plater known as Poacher, claimed from the Coldstream Stable in August, 1943, for \$3,500, Alex last season ran second nine times. He lost photo finishes in four \$50,000 stakes. Trainer Jimmy Hastie insists Alex should have won all four—sometimes it was the horse's fault; others, bad racing luck. In the Trenton Handicap, he waited for Bon Jour to catch up, and lost a close one.

First money in those nine losing races amounted to \$216,040. Alex's second shares totaled \$32,000—a difference of \$184,040.

NEVER WAS BAD

"The horse was far from top condition," says Hastie. His owners, Lou Nimkoff—who since has passed away—and Bernie Millberg kept planning to lay him off after the "next race." But he kept running so well, we always postponed it—one more race," waiting for Alex to look bad and give us the stop signal, which he never did."

His three-months vacation since running at New York in October has done wonders for Alex. He has gained 150 pounds and improved 100 per cent, relates Hastie, who claims "there isn't a horse in the country who could beat him now. He'll run away from handicappers when racing resumes."

## Senior Rugby Game Carded Saturday

Saturday will mark the return of senior rugby to the local sports picture when the newly-organized United Services club makes its first appearance in a match against the Naval College at Macdonald Park, starting at 2:30.

The two clubs will play a three-game schedule with additional matches billed for Feb. 10 and 23.

Crimson Tide is scheduled to make its next McKechnie Cup appearance against Vancouver Reys, Feb. 3, Coach Campbell Forbes has called a "Rep" practice for Thursday evening at Macdonald Park at 7:30.

## Winnipeg Bombers Defeat Army Again

WINNIPEG (CP) — Winnipeg R.C.A.F. Bombers defeated Winnipeg Army for the seventh time in the Manitoba Inter-Services Senior Hockey League Monday night, 9 to 8 in overtime.

P.O. Don Gallinger, L.A.C. Bill McGregor and L.A.C. Roy McBride each scored two, while Sgt. Doug McCaig, L.A.C. Bill Snider and L.A.C. Al Morrison got the others for Bombers.

Lieut. Lin Bend and L.Cpl. Jim McFadden each punched home three goals with Pte. Joe Bockstael getting the others.

## SCORES HOLE-IN-ONE

Playing Sunday at the Victoria Golf Club, J. R. Murray scored a hole-in-one on the 185-yard ninth green. He was playing in a four-some with Sammy Watson, Arthur Musgrave and Trevor Roberts.

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## Bill Durnan Ranks Well Above Goalies

With 19 games left on the schedule, Bill Durnan of Montreal Canadiens seems well on his way to winning the Vezina Trophy—awarded to the National Hockey League-goaler with the lowest goals against average. In 31 games, Durnan has allowed only 73 shots to evade him for an average of 2.353, which is about one goal a game better than any of the other goalkeepers in the league.

Normie Smith, who played one game with the Detroit Red Wings early in the season, has an average of 3.000 and ranks second to Durnan, while Ken McAtuley for New York Rangers, brings up the first 12 games of the season, has an average of 3.250.

Fourth in the list is Frankie McCool of Toronto with 3.419 for 31 games and in addition, McCool is leading the shut-out parade with two, a tie with Mike Karakas of Chicago Black Hawks. Karakas is sixth in the list with 3.233 for 28 games while Harry Lumley with 18 games on the record, has an average of 3.611 and ranks fifth.

The Boston Bruins' goalies, Harvey Bennett and Paul Bibeault, trail along in seventh and eighth position, Bibeault with an average of 4.000 for eight games and Bennett with 4.619 for 21 games. Ken McAtuley for New York Rangers, brings up the rear and offers 4.900 for 30 games.

Tonight's lone game finds Detroit Red Wings invading Boston. The Wings hold second place while Boston rests fourth.

## SCORING RACE

Canadians' Blake-Lach-Richard line continued to dominate the scoring race in official statistics released today, but the order was changed and for the first time since mid-December Toe Blake was not at the top of the list.

After Lach and Maurice Richard passed their linemate Sunday night when he missed his first game of the season, following a suspension resulting from a fracas in Montreal Saturday night. Today's official listings showed Richard and Lach tied for leadership with 49 points each, two more than Blake.

Leaders follow:	G.	A.	P.	Min.
Richard, Canadiens	22	14	49	23
Lach, Canadiens	14	23	49	23
Blake, Canadiens	20	27	47	41
Cowley, Bruins	14	28	46	4
Howe, Detroit	14	27	41	4
Brunneson, Detroit	14	27	41	4
Demarco, Rangers	13	20	35	6
Carvelly, Detroit	9	23	32	6
Carr, Toronto	13	18	21	6
Bednar, Toronto	5	26	31	10
Kucny, Toronto	16	14	19	8
Hollett, Detroit	13	17	19	20
C. Smith, Chicago	14	14	18	2
Mosienko, Chicago	16	13	29	0
Cain, Boston	19	5	28	10
O'Connor, Canadiens	16	14	28	2
K. Smith, Boston	16	10	26	3
Goldup, Rangers	10	16	26	14
A. Jackson, Bos.-Tor.	9	17	26	14
Cato, Canadiens	16	13	25	20
Schirmer, Toronto	16	13	25	8
Wohly, Detroit	16	19	25	10
Jennings, Boston	16	19	25	10
Warwick, Rangers	13	12	25	14
Armstrong, Detroit	9	16	24	7
Davidson, Toronto	12	12	24	24
Boudreau, Canadiens	13	12	24	10
Miller, Canadiens	14	9	22	8
Hill, Toronto	11	11	22	8
Fritz, Toronto	19	11	21	17
Miscellaneous:				
Mathew.				

## JUVENILE SOCCER

Members of the Black and White juvenile soccer team are asked to meet at the taxi stand tomorrow afternoon, not later than 4, for transportation to Hampton Road to meet Gorge Aces.

## LOUIS IN OTTAWA

OTTAWA (CP) — Sgt. Joe Louis, world heavyweight boxing champion who will referee part of a boxing and wrestling card at nearby Uplands Air Station tonight, arrived here Monday and was greeted at the United States Embassy by Ambassador Ray Atherton and his staff.

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## Minor Hockey Boys Assist Arena Canvass

Plans for the youngsters to assist the Citizens' Arena Committee in the canvass for funds for the memorial arena were made at a meeting of the Victoria Minor Hockey Association Monday night. Forty-five youngsters were in attendance. The boys will work under the direction of Doug Fletcher.

Coaches Ivan Temple and Eddie Kelpin lectured to the players and illustrated their talk on the blackboard.

Victoria will be represented in the juvenile and midget provincial playdowns, and as soon as word is received from Doug Grimston, provincial president of the B.C.A.H.A., local officials will make plans for training sessions. Three workouts for each club, either at Nanaimo or New Westminster, will be held prior to play-off competition.

## Golfers Watch Stars Perform On Screen

With 350 of the city's players in attendance, an interesting set of golf films was shown at the Cadet Theatre Sunday evening. The show was staged under the joint auspices of J. Hannan, manager of "the theatre," and the Gorge Vale Golf Club. Members of all Victoria clubs were invited to the showing.

The films included shorts showing Byron Nelson and Joe Kirkwood in action, a good part of the films being in slow motion. Another interesting short was "Golf Limited," a film devoted to the styles and golf wizardry of many of the game's star performers.

## Decide Next Month On Allan Cup Final

WINNIPEG (CP)—Frank Sargent of Port Arthur, president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, said in an interview Monday the association will hold a meeting Feb. 15 in Montreal to discuss national senior playoffs this spring. Dates for the Allan Cup final will probably be set.

Sargent was here to attend the funeral of Fred Marples, C.A. H.A. secretary who died in Toronto last Wednesday.

He said present plans called for the Dominion junior final to start in Toronto April 14. It would likely be a best-of-seven series.

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2. River (5)  
3. One who is active in the Pacific statesman. (10)  
4. River (5)  
5. One who is active in the Pacific statesman. (10)  
6. Roman date. (4)  
7. Not any. (4)  
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**VERTICAL**

1. U.S. naval commander. Vice-Admiral. (10)  
2. River (5)  
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## Uncle Ray

### WATER BUFFALOES PULL TWO-WHEELED CARTS IN PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Now and then we may read about the number of islands in the Philippine group. There are many hundreds of such islands. A count made some years ago gave the number as 7,083, but most of these were of small size and were not the homes of people. Only 2,441 had been given names when the count was made.

Among the islands there are two which stand out in area and population. These are Luzon and Mindanao.

Luzon is the largest of all. In 1939 it had a population of 7,374,000. Its area is 40,814 square miles.

Mindanao has almost as great an area, but it is not so thickly settled. It has only one-fourth as many people as Luzon.

The other large islands are Samar, Negros, Panay, Leyte, Palawan, Mindoro, Bohol, Cebu and Masbate. Along with Luzon and Mindanao, these islands have 90 per cent of the people and 95 per cent of the land in the Philippines.

The natives of the Philippines have the general name of "Filipinos." There also is a special use of this name, which gives it to the more civilized residents, and not to the savage tribesmen.

The 1939 census showed that slightly more than 16,000,000 persons lived on the islands in that year. Only about 15,000 of these were white. The natives are mainly of the Malay or Indonesian race, and have brown skins.

At the time of that census, there were about 117,000 Chinese residents, and close to one-fourth that number of Japanese.

Motor cars and trucks were to be found in the Manila area and in some other sections. Yet the Filipinos in general led a rather "slow-moving" life. Farmers and others lumbered along on two-wheeled carts drawn by oxen or water buffaloes.

Fishing is an important industry of the Philippines. Manila, the capital city, had large fish markets.



Water buffalo pulling two-wheeled cart in Philippines

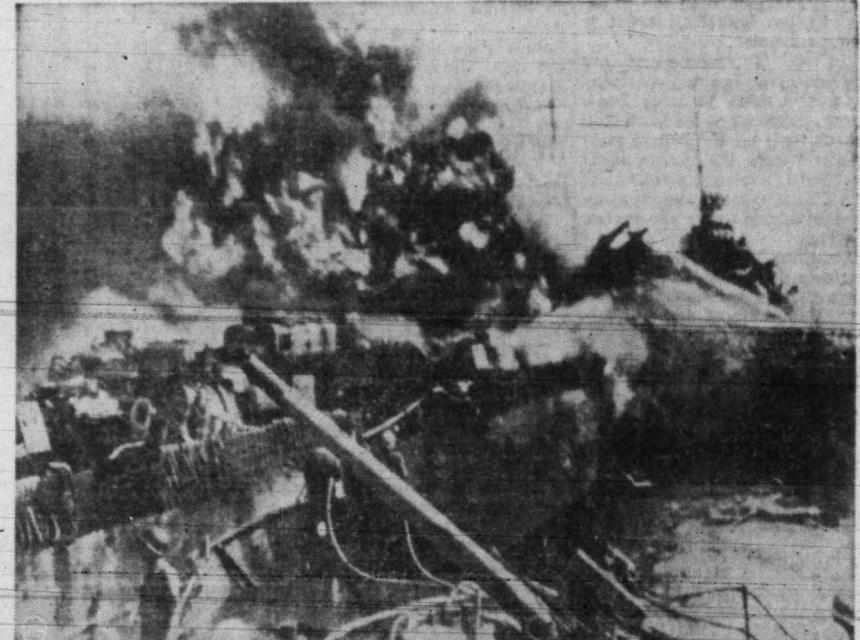
In such markets a person could buy all manner of fish and shellfish, including sharks, lobsters, crabs and prawns.

In peacetime, a housewife in Manila was able to go to market almost any day and buy a baby octopus "small enough to be placed inside a quart measure."

Then, if she liked, she could take it home to cook and eat for dinner.

For travel section of your scrapbook.

### Scenes of Advance On Manila



FIGHT FIRE ON LST—A destroyer pumps tons of water into an LST set ablaze by Jap bombers during the invasion of Mindoro in the Philippines. A smaller ship in foreground moves in to aid in saving supplies aboard the LST.



JAP TARGETS AHEAD—Yank mortar crew sets up in a rice field on Luzon and fires at Jap artillery pieces impeding the U. S. advance beyond the town of San Jacinto.

## Entire Jap Force Attacking Peleliu Slain Or Captured

PEARL HARBOR (AP)—A desperate abortive attack by the Japanese on the Peleliu Island, U.S. heavy bomber base, was upset by U.S. troops, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz reported in a communique Monday.

The Admiral said two barges carrying about 64 Japanese soldiers landed on the Island Wednesday from neighboring Nippon bases in the Palaus. The Yanks killed 49 of the Japanese and captured 20. The others are surrounded.

The communique said "at last reports no damage had been caused to our installations."

### Bottle-Wielding Bandit Escapes With \$200

VANCOUVER (CP)—Sam Morris, 47, proprietor of the B.C. Second-hand Store, is in hospital with head injuries suffered when beaten and robbed of \$200 in his store today. Morris told police the bandit, a negro, attacked him with a bottle.

### Snug—and Happy



A little top-heavy in his grown-up's clothes, this Bastogne youngster is warm enough to grin happily at the cameraman. Bastogne, recently relieved of Nazi siege by Gen. Patton's men, are up against it for warm winter clothes.

## Canada's Wheat Crop Worth \$460,052,000

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's production of wheat in 1944 now is placed at 435,535,008 bushels, valued at \$460,052,000 or an average farm value of \$1.06 a bushel, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported Monday in its third estimate of last year's field crops. This compared with the final estimate of 294,460,000 bushels in 1943, which was valued at an average farm price of \$1.01 and a total gross farm value of \$288,511,000.

Wheat production in the prairie provinces in 1944 is estimated at 411,000,000 bushels as compared with the final estimate of 268,000,000 bushels in 1943.

Production of oats in Canada in 1944 now is estimated at approximately 500,000,000 bushels, as compared with 482,000,000 bushels in 1943. The barley crop has been reduced to 195,000,000 bushels, as compared with a production of 216,000,000 bushels in 1943. The rye crop is 8,500,000 bushels, compared with 7,100,000 bushels during the preceding year.

Production of flaxseed, however, dropped to 9,700,000 bushels, compared with the 1943 crop of 18,000,000 bushels. This very marked reduction in the output of flaxseed is due to a sharply reduced acreage, since average yields were better in 1944 than they were during the preceding year.

The average price received at the farm for these crops is approximately the same as in 1943 with the exception of flaxseed and rye, said the bureau.

### Would Make Hitler No. 1 War Criminal

LONDON (CP)—The United Nations War Crimes Commission has recommended that the preparation and launching of this war be recognized as a crime, and that the guilty persons be treated as criminals, responsible sources said Monday.

Three governments—New Zealand, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia—were said to have approved the recommendation, with Australia expected to do so.

No statute in present international law covers persons responsible for beginning or preparing a war. It was agreed that if the proposal is accepted, Hitler would be the No. 1 war criminal.

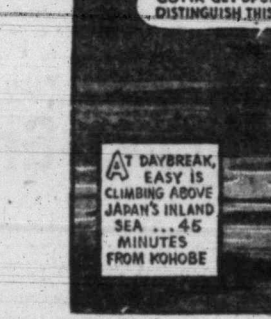
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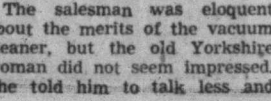
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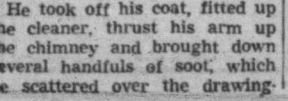
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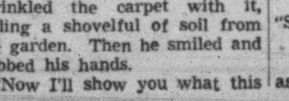
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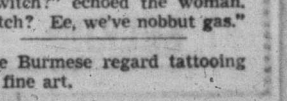
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## 27,000 Helpers Placed On Land By Farm Service

Dominion Provincial Farm Labor Committee, working with the Dominion-Provincial Emergency Farm Labor Service, formed in the spring of 1943 by Agriculture Minister K. C. Macdonald, last year placed 27,000 men, women and students over 14 on the farms of B.C., according to figures made public today by W. MacGillivray, director of the farm labor service.

B.C.'s agricultural production last year reached an all-time high of \$100,000,000.

"This tremendous achievement is a real tribute to the patriotic efforts of the farmers, their wives and families, and their hired help, all of whom labored long hours in all kinds of weather to ensure production of essential foodstuffs, so vitally necessary to the war effort," Mr. MacGillivray said.

"The committee is pleased that the Emergency Farm Labor Service was responsible in no small measure for the provision of the additional labor so absolutely essential to the successful harvesting of the various crops," On Vancouver Island, Mr. Mac

Gillivray said, sufficient help was supplied to secure small fruits and canning crops with a minimum of loss.

Members of the committee, in addition to Mr. MacGillivray, are Dr. Macdonald, Lt.-Col. G. M. Endacott, chairman; Wm. McKinty, regional superintendent of National Selective Service; Lt.-Col. J. E. Wood, agricultural employment adviser, N.S.S., and Ernest MacGinnis, the committee's secretary.

## City Committees Face Busy Days

Committee meetings will keep Victoria's aldermen busy during the remainder of the week, according to the calendar posted at the City Hall today.

Wednesday at 3 the parks and boulevards group will meet.

On Thursday at 2, the zoning board of appeal will convene, one hour before the lands and zoning committee's weekly session.

Friday-morning at 10:30 the health and welfare committee will gather. At 2 in the afternoon the fire wardens will hold their regular session followed an hour later by the public works committee.

A permit for \$1,500 gym improvements was issued by the city building inspector's department today to the Sisters of St. Ann for work at 835 Humboldt Street. Another permit covers construction of a \$4,300 five-room home for F. C. Forsyth at 532 Selkirk.

Repairs to Johnson Street Bridge kept that span closed from 1 to 7 this morning as workmen replaced an eight-by-eight stringer 30 feet long at the west end of the bascule span. The previous stringer had been down more than 20 years. Certain decking was also replaced.

Two recommendations covering salaries were advanced by the police commission today to the City Council file. One asks a 10 per cent increase for the city prosecutor, effective Jan. 1, and the other requests the remuneration of the clerk of court and court stenographer be raised to the 1937 level.

Pay scales for city garbage department collectors, truck drivers and sweepers are sought by the Regional War Labor Board for comparative purposes.

School Talent Parade broadcast of Scottish music and drama will be heard tonight at 5:30 over radio station CJVI. Soloists will be Norman Cook and Allan Smyth of Victoria High School, and narrator will be John McLaren of Oak Bay High. The half-hour program is sponsored by the school and community drama branch of the Department of Education.

## City May Take Fire Barge From North Vancouver

Possibility of Victoria securing North Vancouver's fire barge was discussed at the City Hall today following information received by Ald. John A. Worthington to the effect North Vancouver did not wish to keep the equipment.

Ald. Worthington reported he had been informed by long distance telephone the municipality wished to dispose of the equipment on the grounds maintenance was too expensive.

"We will have to go after it if we want it, but we will make a thorough examination of the equipment before committing ourselves," the alderman said.

He planned to discuss the matter with Mayor P. E. George, city fire wardens and Fire Chief Munroe later today.

Ald. H. M. Diggon, chairman of the fire wardens, was interviewed by R. W. Mayhew, M.P., on the question today.

Victoria has pressed for marine fire fighting equipment for many years. At one time negotiations with industrial firms using the harbor water front progressed to a point at which the V.M.D. offered to keep a fire boat in running order for a consideration. At that time the feasibility of converting a Japanese fishing boat was discussed. The arrangements failed to carry through and the city later turned its attention to the possibility of securing a fire barge from the Dominion government. Repeated efforts failed to bring any satisfaction from Brig.-Gen. Alec Ross, national director of civilian defence.

The issue was revived again recently by Ald. Worthington following an inspection of Vancouver equipment and City Council members as well as Mr. Mayhew have continued efforts to secure the desired craft for this area.

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## Dolly Catches Fire On Iroquois Here

Gasoline and oil on a dolly being used to move freight from the hold of Ss. Iroquois, Victoria-Port Angeles-Seattle ferry, while she was tied up at the C.P.R. docks here, sent city fire trucks racing to the waterfront at 9 this morning.

The blaze, which caused some damage to the small tractor, did not delay the sailing of the vessel for Port Angeles.

Later in the morning city firemen extinguished a fire, caused by an overheated stove pipe, in a shed near the Kingston-Gillespie Coal Co. Ltd. yard on Bay Street. The fire caused some damage to the shed wall.

## Government Workers Meet B.C. Cabinet

A delegation from the B.C. Government Employees' Association met the cabinet today in connection with arrangement of collective bargaining between the government as an employer and its employees.

The association some time ago presented a brief to the government setting out its wishes. At this time arrangements were made for a joint committee of officials and staffs to work out details.

E. P. O'Connor, general secretary, stated the delegation was much pleased with the outcome of today's meeting and felt that real progress had been made. With Mr. O'Connor were J. H. Wilson, New Westminster, newly-elected president, and Albert Smith, vice-president, Victoria.

Victoria Vegetarian Society will meet Thursday at 8, at 635 Fort Street. Mrs. L. D. Chesman, Mrs. J. M. Vallance and A. J. A. Bell will speak on "Ethical Aspects of Vegetarianism."

## Provosts Tighten Checks In Search for Deserters

A more rigid check-up of army personnel on Victoria streets in admittedly a drive to round up absentee home defence troops was opened by the army provost corps Monday night.

The drive was inaugurated here about the same time that Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., G.O.C.-in-Chief, Pacific Command, announced in Vancouver that all B.C. members of the Canadian Army slated for overseas duty and now absent from their units were considered deserters.

Military authorities here said no attempt yet had been made to check civilians unless provosts were suspicious they were army personnel. While the check-up Monday night on Victoria streets failed to locate any soldier who failed to return to his unit after embarkation leave, provost officers said some soldiers had been found to be absent from their units here without passes.

By failing to report it the expiration of leave and traveling time after being "vacated" of special duty, the men automatically became deserters, Gen. Pearkes ruled.

All men in units transferred to eastern Canada assembly points late last December from British Columbia were warned of overseas duty, officials at Pacific Command headquarters announced.

Efforts were being made throughout this province, they said, to round up 482 soldiers, active and home defence troops, reported absent without leave from their units since before Christmas. Of the total 250 are members of the home defence army.

12 GIVE UP  
Pacific Command officials reported today 12 home defence soldiers who have been absent without leave since Christmas and New Year's Day surrendered voluntarily at Little Mountain barracks at Vancouver Monday.

Army authorities reported a flood of telephone calls, most of them from women, tipping off service and civilian police on the whereabouts of men the tipsters believe may be sought. Provost corps officials had appealed to the public to telephone such information.

The tip-offs followed a warning that persons harboring deserters faced prosecution. Officials said the men themselves were subject to court martial and

Lt.-Col. A. E. Winch  
Becomes Brigadier

OTTAWA (CP) — Lt.-Col. Arthur E. Winch, 36, of Vancouver and Ottawa, has been promoted to the acting rank of Brigadier, Defence Headquarters announced today.

Brig. Winch, a permanent force officer since 1931, was district signals officer at Quebec until early in 1939, when he was appointed officer commanding an eastern fortress establishment.

He was posted as officer commanding a signals formation in the 5th Canadian Armored Division in March, 1941, and later went overseas as second in command of signals for the division. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel in April, 1942.

Brig. Winch was born at Hazelton, B.C., and educated in Vancouver. Mrs. Winch and their son live in Ottawa.

## Bomber Stowaway Found Stowing Away On Ship

Elizabeth "Betty" Drewery, the English girl who flew the Atlantic as a stowaway aboard a Liberators bomber and who lived at Sidney for a short time early last year, was back in Victoria today after an unsuccessful attempt to reach Russia aboard a Soviet ship where she hoped to serve as a woman pilot. She now proposes to return to England, and left on the Vancouver boat this afternoon, her ambition to fly "suspended for the time being."

Talking to a Times reporter today of her recent adventure, she told of getting a job at a Vancouver grain elevator and stowing away in the lifeboat of a Russian ship "one dark and stormy night."

She carried provisions, including a bottle of water, she said, but the ship stayed out in the harbor for about four and a half days, so that on the fifth day, when the ship had practically reached the end of the straits, she ran out of water and had to make her presence known.

"I thought all was well, and that I was well on my way to Vladivostok," she said. However, she continued, she was told the ship was going down the American coast and would not reach Russia for over three months.

She asked to be signed on as a crew member but was told that

off Tsawwassen, Wash. These men are: PO. Gordon Charles Halcrow, Penticton; Sgt. Alfred William Rees, Toronto; PO. Robert Gordon Steele, New Westminster; PO. Herbert Roland Somerville, Lyndhurst, Ont.

Air force officials are investigating the cause of the crash.

The little gold wings with the operational "O" in the centre are being sent to next-of-kin, together with a certificate stating that the flyer "on authority of Chief of Air Staff has been posthumously awarded the operational

## Identify 3 Victims 4 Survivors From Exploded Bomber

Flt. Lt. Sam Leslie Bowhay of Three Hills, Alta., is one of three airmen missing following the crash Jan. 10 of an R.C.A.F. Liberator bomber near Point Roberts, Wash., the Western Air Command announced today. Flt. Lt. Bowhay was first pilot aboard the craft.

The other two men missing are Sgt. Henry Charles Barr, Winnipeg, and Sgt. Thomas Michael Calloway, North Vancouver, B.C.

Four members of the crew parachuted to safety when the bomber exploded in mid-air. They were later picked up in the water

## 6-Cent Wage Boost Expected By Union; Hearing Wednesday

Belief the support vouches by the federal labor department for the Street Railwaymen's Union six-cent-an-hour wage increase application would result in approval of that boost by the Regional War Labor Board was voiced by Fred Davison, local union president, today.

He expressed that opinion as he completed arrangements to go before the board with the Vancouver and New Westminster representatives in Vancouver tomorrow.

Following the appearance before the board, union delegates will meet B.C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. officials to discuss matters which will be taken before a conciliator, Mr. Davison said.

In Vancouver, Charles M. Stewart, chairman of the Union advisory committee, said the union's brief would be submitted to the board today. A copy was also placed in company hands.

NEW EVIDENCE  
"It is an entirely new hearing," Mr. Stewart said. "The brief contains new evidence."

While the B.C. Electric Railway Company is reserving its stand until the case is argued before the board, it is thought unlikely that anything but the six-cent general increase will be contested.

"We'll study the brief and then decide what we will do," A. E. Grauer, B.C.E.R. executive vice-president, who will represent the company, said.

Application for a new hearing is the result of a 10-day streetcar and bus strike in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C., which ended Jan. 18, after workers voted to return to their jobs pending the new hearing.

Members of the regional board include Provincial Labor Minister George C. Pearson, chairman, and Adam Bell, deputy minister and board vice-chairman.

Arson Trial Opens  
In County Court

Trial of Walter H. Watkins on a charge of unlawfully setting fire to the cloth covering of a chandelier, so situated that the building on 2109 Fernwood was likely to catch fire therefrom, began in County Court today, with Judge H. H. Shandley presiding.

R. A. Wootton appeared for the Crown and A. J. Patton for the accused.

Samuel Hurst, F. G. Aldous, R. N. C. Hemmerow and E. Orchard gave evidence this morning.

## In Police Court

Christian Nelson, now serving a six-month sentence for carrying a revolver without a permit, today was sentenced by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city court to one year at hard labor on a charge of possessing a stolen revolver, and six months hard labor on each of two charges of possessing a stolen strip and stolen tools. All terms for the youthful former merchant seaman were made concurrent.

Trial of Leonti Gordienko, his attractive 17-year-old wife, and Melvin Paton was set today for next Monday. The two sailors and woman face two joint charges of assaulting peace officers.

A chief petty officer, conducting his own defence, won a dismissal of a charge of failing to obey a traffic signal at Government and Johnson Streets.

Pleading guilty of being intoxicated in a public place, a 20-year-old waitress received suspended sentence after being warned by the magistrate that the penalty for the second offense of this type would be \$50 fine.

Nine motorists paid \$2.50 parking fines.

## Court of Appeal

Court of Appeal sitting here today reserved judgment in the appeal of George Roosevelt McQuarrie and E. Louise McQuarrie of New Westminster from judgment of Mr. Justice Coady awarding Fred Panosuk \$5,124.36 damages.

Panosuk was struck by a car June 5, 1942, driven by McQuarrie and owned by his mother. The accident took place on the Trans-Canada Highway in Surrey municipality.

L. St. M. DuMoulin, counsel for Panosuk, concluded his argument this morning. Charles W. Tysoe appeared for the appellants.

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Triple Night Blow  
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LONDON (CP) — Two hundred U.S. heavy bombers hit railway yards at Neuss, on the western edge of the Ruhr, in a quick follow-up today to a triple night assault on German targets by more than 500 R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. heavies.

The U.S. bombers were escorted by 100 fighters.

The Neuss yards were attacked Monday by dive-bombers of the continent-based U.S. 9th Air Force and almost 1,000 cars were destroyed or damaged. Today the heavy U.S. bombers dumped more than 600 tons of explosives among the debris.

A synthetic oil plant at Duisburg, easily discernible in the moonlight, was set afire Monday night by British fliers, striking within five miles of the spot where U.S. heavy bombers Monday had dealt a telling blow to the Steinkunde fuel plant.

In the night attack two tremendous explosions were observed.

BAG 6 OF 25 NAZIS  
R.C.A.F. squadrons based in Belgium and Holland shot down six German aircraft Monday without loss to themselves as the Canadians flew more than 250 sorties, mainly in close support of forward troops, the R.C.A.F. announced.

Five Spitfire pilots from the Red Indian Squadron destroyed five of six enemy planes, and damaged another near the city of Rheine, 65 miles north of Dortmund, while a Typhoon pilot destroyed a sixth near Dülmen, 25 miles northwest of Dortmund, during a mission which also resulted in destruction of four locomotives.

Enemy supply dumps, barracks and strong points from Aachen to Gelsenkirchen, which lies between Essen and Dortmund, were destroyed by fighter bombers, and for the second successive day the defuncted village of Montfort, Holland, 10 miles southwest of Utrecht, received a heavy load of bombs and was left aflame. German rail and road transport "suffered heavily," the communiqué said.

The Red Indian Squadron's five victims—all Focke Wulf 190s, fell to Canadians, including Flt. Lt. M. J. Gordon of Edmonton and Flt. Lt. Tommy Hoare of Winnipeg. A German plane was damaged by Sgt. Ldr. Art Sager of Vancouver.

Three squadrons of the top-scoring Spitfire wing in Holland—the Ram, Grizzly Bear and Caribou—in four armed reconnaissances destroyed one locomotive, damaged four, and damaged 13 freight cars. The Canadians also destroyed six motor transport and damaged 30.

Mrs. E. Zimmerman told police Monday night that someone had entered her garden at 129 Government Street and chopped down a palm tree.

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R.C.A.F. squadrons based in Belgium and Holland shot down six German aircraft Monday without loss to themselves as the Canadians flew more than 250 sorties, mainly in close support of forward troops, the R.C.A.F. announced.

Five Spitfire pilots from the Red Indian Squadron destroyed five of six enemy planes, and damaged another near the city of Rheine, 65 miles north of Dortmund, while a Typhoon pilot destroyed a sixth near Dülmen, 25 miles northwest of Dortmund, during a mission which also resulted in destruction of four locomotives.

Enemy supply dumps, barracks and strong points from Aachen to Gelsenkirchen, which lies between Essen and Dortmund, were destroyed by fighter bombers, and for the second successive day the defuncted village of Montfort, Holland, 10 miles southwest of Utrecht, received a heavy load of bombs and was left aflame. German rail and road transport "suffered heavily," the communiqué said.

The Red Indian Squadron's five victims—all Focke Wulf 190s, fell to Canadians, including Flt. Lt. M. J. Gordon of Edmonton and Flt. Lt. Tommy Hoare of Winnipeg. A German plane was damaged by Sgt. Ldr. Art Sager of Vancouver.

Three squadrons of the top-scoring Spitfire wing in Holland—the Ram, Grizzly Bear and Caribou—in four armed reconnaissances destroyed one locomotive, damaged four, and damaged 13 freight cars. The Canadians also destroyed six motor transport and damaged 30.

Mrs. E. Zimmerman told police Monday night that someone had entered her garden at 129 Government Street and chopped down a palm tree.

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LONDON (CP) — Stockholm dispatches today reported the Germans had transferred 50,000 Allied war prisoners from camps in Poland and Silesia to central Germany because of the threat of the advancing Russian armies.

Uncertainty continued, however, concerning the status of prisoners in Stalag Luft 7 at Kreuzburg in upper Silesia, which has been captured by the Russians. Whether any of the prisoners who included R.A.F. personnel and U.S. civilians—were still there when the Russians arrived was unknown.

Receipts from sale of Christmas seals in Victoria to date total \$3,800, announces Charles W. Pangman, chairman of the Kiwanis T.H. seal committee. These funds will be used in Victoria and district for the rehabilitation of tubercular patients. Mr. Pangman asks that anyone who have not yet forwarded money for seals to do so immediately. It may be sent to the Bank of Toronto, 630 Yates Street.

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 Tom Mix—KOL.  
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 Date with Judy—KOMO.  
 News—KIRO, KOL, 1.15.

6.00—Mystery Theatre—KOMO.  
 Dinner Diversions—CKWX.  
 Junior Sauter—KIRO.  
 Cecil Sully—KJR.  
 John and Judy—KIRO.  
 Symph.—CJOH.  
 Symph.—CJVI, 6.15.  
 Jimmy Fadden—KIRO, 6.15.

6.30—Nordic News—KOL.  
 McVie and Molly—KJR, KOMO.  
 Football—KIRO, KJR.  
 This is My Best—KIRO.

7.00—News—KIRO.  
 Musical Interlude—KJR.  
 Music—KOL.  
 Blue of Evening—CKWX.  
 Music by Leggs—CJVI.  
 Bob Hope—KOMO.  
 Service to Front—KIRO.  
 Loyal Thomas—KOL, 7.15.  
 Carl Olson—KJR, 7.15.

7.30—Billie Holiday—CJVI.  
 Make Way for Tomorrow—KIRO.  
 Show Time—KIRO.  
 Hildegarde—KOMO.  
 Red Ryder—KOL.  
 Max Dolin—KIRO.

8.00—Fred Massey—KJR.  
 Things to Come—KIRO.  
 Stars of Tomorrow—CJVI.  
 Northwest Theatre—KIRO.  
 Supper Club—KIRO.  
 Jack Kitchener—KIRO.  
 Fleetwood Lancers—KOMO, 8.15.

8.30—Classics for Today—KIRO.  
 Allan Young Show—KJR.  
 Green Hornet—KIRO.  
 Theatre of Romance—KIRO.  
 Mystery Traveler—KOL.  
 Author's Playhouse—CJVI.

9.00—News—KOL.  
 Everything for the Boys—KOMO.  
 Green Hornet—KIRO.  
 The Town—KIRO.  
 Grace Fields—KIRO.

9.30—Roy Rogers Show—KJR.  
 Northwest Theatre—KIRO.  
 Waittime—CJVI.  
 Keweenaw C. H.—KIRO.  
 Roy Shields—KIRO.  
 News—KIRO.

10.00—News—KOMO, CKWX, CBR.  
 CJVI.  
 Emory Phillips—KOL, 10.10.  
 News Roundup—KIRO.  
 Five Star Final—KIRO.  
 Fulton Lewis—KIRO.  
 Marie Hour—KJR.  
 Parade of Crooners—KOMO, 10.15.  
 Legislative Reporter—KOL, 10.15.

10.30—Washington Reports—KIRO.  
 Orchestra—CJVI, KIRO.  
 American—KIRO.

11.00—News—KOMO.  
 Wally Anderson—KIRO.  
 Treasury Salute—KIRO.  
 News—KIRO at 11.25.

11.30—Dance—KOMO, KOL.  
 Famous—KIRO.  
 Soldiers of the Press—KJR.  
 News for Alaska—KIRO at 11.45.

Tomorrow

7.00—News—KOL, KIRO.  
 "O-G" Show—KIRO.  
 Farm Forum—KJR.  
 Oregon Pioneer News—KOMO.  
 Jamboree—CJVI.

7.30—News—CKWX, CJVI, KIRO.  
 Reville Roundup—KIRO, KOMO.  
 James Arness—KIRO.  
 Maxine Kelly—KOL.  
 News—KOMO, KIRO, 7.45.

8.00—News—CJVI, CKWX, CJVI.  
 Ann Baxter—KIRO.  
 Chiffa Fox—KIRO.  
 Seattle Council—KJR.  
 Radio Parade—KOMO.

8.30—Jerry Morris—KIRO.  
 Billy Brown—CJOH.  
 Victor Lindahl—KOMO.  
 Just About Time—KIRO, CBR.  
 Lash of the World—KIRO.

9.00—News—CJVI, KJR, CJVI, KOL.  
 Kate Smith—KNX, CJVI, KOL.  
 Vote of a Nation—KOMO.

9.30—Ray Daughters—KOL.  
 Housekeeper—KIRO.  
 Special—CJVI.  
 News—KIRO, KJR.  
 Helen Trent—KNX, KIRO.  
 Drama—KIRO.

10.00—News—KOL, KJR, CKWX.  
 Sheryl Albion—KOMO.  
 Life Beautiful—KNX, KIRO.  
 Morning Mail—KIRO, 10.15.  
 Happy One—KIRO, 10.15.

10.30—News—CJVI.  
 Spotlight Stars—KIRO.  
 My True Story—KJR.  
 Barnardine Film—KIRO.  
 Tony Alberts Hour—KOMO.

11.00—Joyce Jordan, M.D.—KIRO.  
 Perry Mason—KIRO.  
 The Coming Lady—KOMO.  
 Kasey Talbot—KJR.  
 Hits in Review—KIRO.  
 Celine Foster—KOL.

11.30—Woman in White—KOMO.  
 Soldiers Wife—CJVI, KJR.  
 Glanville Mather—KJR.  
 Perry Mason—KIRO.  
 Over House—KOL.

12.00—Mary Martin—KIRO.  
 Al Smith, Piano—CJVI.  
 Woman of America—KOMO.  
 B.C. Farmers—KIRO.  
 Morton Downey—KJR.  
 News—KOL.

12.30—News—CJVI.  
 The Smoothies—KOL.  
 Popper Young—KOMO, KPO.  
 Farm Journal—KIRO.  
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 Walter Connolly—KOL.  
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## One Woman's Day...

By NANCY HODGES

## RADIO INTERFERENCE

PERHAPS I HAD better state right at the start that I am not what you could call a radio fan.

When alone at home I seldom turn it on, except for a special news broadcast, or a speech by Winston Churchill, President Roosevelt, or some other celebrity.

So I miss many of the soap operas, saccharine serials, chit-chat about recipes and the other fare which delights many of my housewife friends in the morning.

And I don't even tie myself in knots at the behest of the gentleman who, in the early morning hours, snappily urges you to exercise to his brisk "One-two, one-two" while he himself lolls in distant, comfortable ease.

## SUDDEN WAITS

NO, MY RADIO receptivity is largely confined to the evening hours after my spouse has returned home.

From then on, my ears are regaled with a rapid succession of news broadcasts and commentaries by commentators who ring the most amazing changes of interpretation on the news I—and they—have just heard.

And all goes merrily as the proverbial marriage bell until suddenly the air is rent with wails and squeals as if a banshee were on the loose or a siren attacked with asthma-cum-hiccups.

Or just when we are anxiously awaiting for a special BBC announcement, it starts acting up as if—as a friend expresses it—a concrete mixer had taken sole possession.

## LOCATE THE CAUSE

AT WHICH MY husband manipulates the various knobs, while muttering imprecations, with a resulting flow from the machine of "wee-ee-ee" and "boohs," rackets and rumblings like a soul in torment.

So, in an effort to find out the particular gremlin which thus interferes with a tired business man's painless pleasures, I hied me to the Belmont Building.

Where the radio inspector of the Dominion Department of Transport sent me into the secrets of interference.

And I was surprised to learn what tiny but extraneous defects can make an ordinary well-behaved radio "act up."

## GADGET GREMLINS

WITHOUT PREVIOUS experience, of simple things which cause sulphurous language by radio fans for miles around.

For one of the most frequent sources of headache to the inspectors who are called to locate radio interference are what I might call gadget gremlins.

For instance, if somebody's heating pad has the slightest, often unnoticeable, defect, it will upset every radio in the vicinity.

## B. F. Goodrich Appointments

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## New York Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market continued its selective recovery today although buying was unimpressive and many issues were unable to emerge from the minus column. Transfers were around 1,200,000 shares.

Early bidding was credited to the belief the stock division had enjoyed a healthy technical correction and had partly adjusted itself to a possible quick European victory and resultant transitional problems. Doubters were plentiful, however, as the Allied pincers tightened on the Nazis.

Gains were well sprinkled through the Canadian list. Lake Shore was strong, moving up 1 1/4.

Other gains were Dome Mines and McIntyre, each up 1/4, and Distillers Seagrams, up 1/4. C.P.R. eased 1/4.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Dow Jones averages closed today as follows:

30 Industrials—151.36, off .67  
 20 rails—47.06, off .60  
 15 utilities—26.15, off .21  
 Total sales—1,365,830.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

SOMETIMES people living in the vicinity of a hospital blame radio interference on the X-ray and electrical equipment used by the institution.

But today that is unfair, I learned. There has been very little trouble around the hospital areas for some years.

Not since legislation was brought in necessitating all medical therapy and other high voltage equipment to be installed in special rooms.

I couldn't attempt to explain it in the technical language, but boiled down it means that the walls are specially "screened" to stop the waves from radiating.

However, every now and again, trouble will be traced to an out-of-date therapy machine being used in his office or home by a doctor, who is forced to use it because wartime shortages prevent his getting a new one.

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